



# FY06 Enrich Iowa Report

## State Funding for Iowa Libraries

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and the Iowa General Assembly

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# Enrich Iowa: Summary

Iowa is a state rich in libraries, with 543 public libraries; more than 80 college and university libraries; and about 1,000 school libraries. Libraries enrich Iowa and support lifelong learning.

The State Library of Iowa actively champions libraries and improves library services for Iowans through its management of the Enrich Iowa program.

In accordance with 2006 IOWA ACTS, Chapter 1180 (16)(6), the State Library of Iowa is pleased to submit this report on the impact of state funding on Iowans and Iowa libraries through the Enrich Iowa Program.

Enrich Iowa includes Direct State Aid to public libraries, and the Open Access and Access Plus library resource sharing programs. \$2,598,980 was distributed to Iowa libraries in FY06.

**Direct State Aid** helped 471 Iowa public libraries provide programs and purchase books, supplies and computers they could not otherwise offer their customers. Direct State Aid improves the quality of life and library service in Iowa. Since its inception, this funding has led to an 82 percent increase in the number of accredited public libraries in Iowa, from 171 in FY99 to 312 in FY07. This report reflects the importance of these funds in promoting lifelong learning; strengthening reading and literacy programs for children; providing safe, accessible buildings; improving Internet connections; and increasing library hours. Direct State Aid funding in FY06 was \$1 million from the general fund.

**Open Access** allows Iowans to walk into any participating Iowa library and borrow books and other materials. Borrowers can simply return the materials to their local public library, which will pay to ship the items back to the loaning library. Open Access reimburses a small portion of the expense involved. Iowans checked out 3,606,345 items from 605 libraries in FY06. Open Access funding in FY06 was \$1,094,376 (\$436,431 from the general fund and \$630,946 from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund).

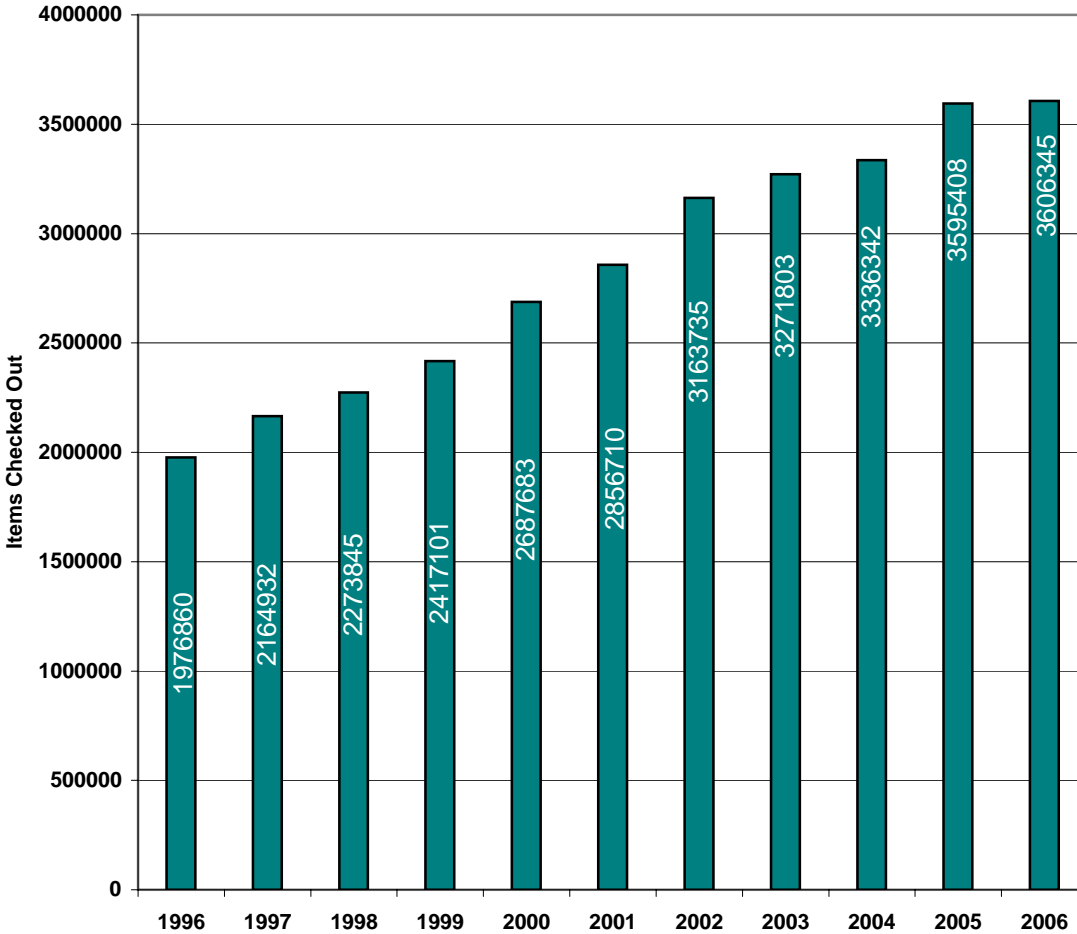
Libraries are reimbursed part of the cost of mailing materials to other Iowa libraries through the **Access Plus** interlibrary loan program, which allows Iowans to borrow books and other materials from another library if their library doesn't own them. The 605 participating libraries loaned 259,497 items in FY06. Access Plus funding in FY06 was \$382,604 (\$235,000 from the general fund and \$147,596 from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund).

A one-time FY06 **Cataloging Supplement** of \$122,000 allowed 305 public libraries to purchase high-quality library records to facilitate their participation in statewide library resource sharing.



*As a retired public school administrator, Jack B. is "impressed with the benefits of public libraries in helping children's reading abilities."*

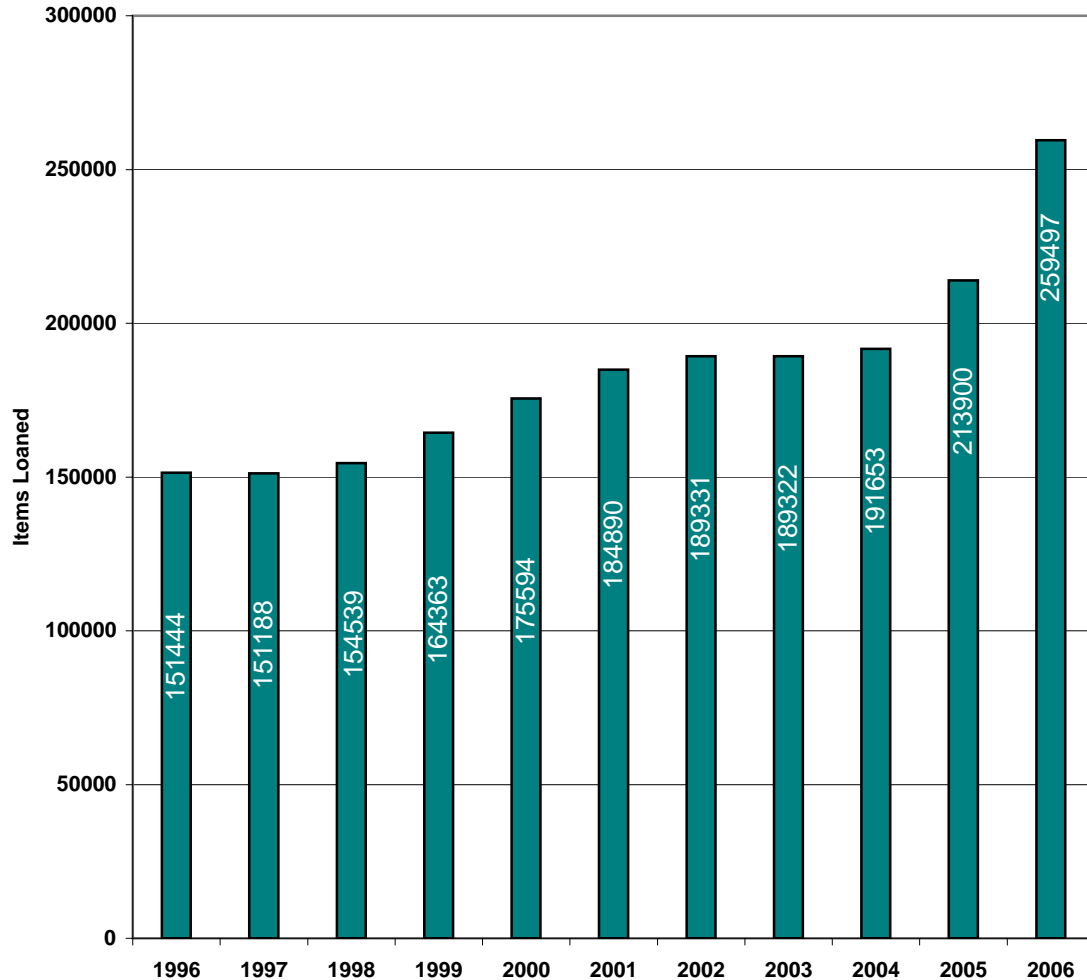
## Open Access



Established in 1989, Open Access allows Iowa library customers from a participating library to check out library materials at all other participating libraries in the state.

The number of items checked out has increased 82% from 1,976,860 in FY96 to 3,606,345 in FY06. Open Access funding in FY06 was \$1,094,376 (\$463,431 from the State General Fund and \$630,946 from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund).

## Access Plus



Established in 1989, Access Plus provides Iowa citizens with equal access to library materials through resource sharing among libraries. Libraries borrow materials from participating libraries to fulfill requests of their customers.

The number of items borrowed has increased 71% from 151,444 in FY96 to 259,497 in FY 06. Access Plus funding in FY06 was \$382,604 (\$235,000 from the State General Fund and \$147,596 from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund).

# Direct State Aid

Iowans love and use their libraries. They are a critical part of Iowa's rich educational tradition. In the years since Direct State Aid was initiated, library visits to Iowa public libraries are up 21 percent, the number of public library cardholders is up 11 percent and the number of materials checked out rose 16 percent.

Direct State Aid helps move library services in Iowa closer to the statewide vision for library service:

*"Each Iowan will have equal access to information and ideas in order to participate knowledgeably and productively in a democratic society and to lead an enriched life through lifelong learning."*

The Governor of Iowa and the Iowa General Assembly passed legislation creating Direct State Aid in 1999. The program is designed to improve library service and reduce inequities in library services among communities; to enhance, not replace, local funding; and to encourage achievement of statewide public library standards (*In Service to Iowa: Public Library Measures of Quality*).

*"Direct State Aid makes a difference in all of our patrons' lives. We can purchase things with this money that we could not afford otherwise."  
Stuart Public Library*

The funding formula for Direct State Aid is composed of three tiers which include selected public library standards. Since the funding level increases with greater compliance with standards, the tiers provide incentives for improvements in library services.

Of Iowa's 543 public libraries, 291 received Tier 3 funding (highest level), 102 received Tier 2 funding, 78 received Tier 1 funding, and 72 were not eligible in FY06.

The Enrich Iowa program, which includes Direct State Aid, Open Access and Access Plus is a proven success. Since Enrich Iowa's inception, the number of Iowa public libraries whose directors are certified (better trained in library services) increased 20 percent. The number of libraries whose collection is up to date has increased 27 percent. The number of libraries whose services to special population groups of all ages has increased 25 percent. The number of libraries open an adequate number of hours per week has increased 15 percent. The number of libraries meeting each of the state public library standards increased 17 percent.

*"This funding is crucial to our new materials budget. Without it, our book budget would be cut in half. Thank you!"  
Arthur Public Library*

# The Value of Direct State to Iowans in 2006

**Albia Public Library** purchased a fax machine with Direct State Aid. "A mother had to get insurance papers to her daughter who was ill and away at college. Because we replaced our fax machine, we were able to fax the papers to the clinic, which saved the mother a two-hour drive."

**Bancroft Public Library.** "With Direct State Aid, we were able to provide two children's theatres. They were wonderful and the children (and adults) loved them. Direct State Aid also greatly enhanced our summer reading program. These funds are needed now more than ever with budget cuts. Thank you very much!"

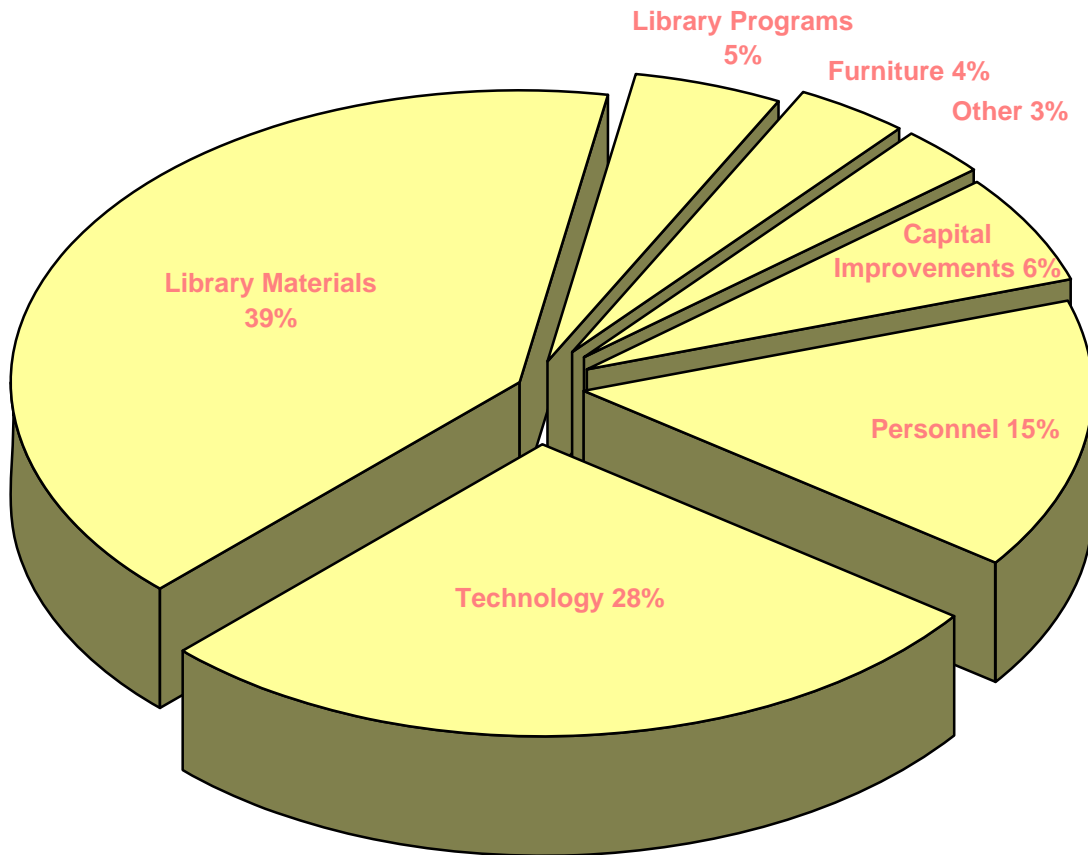
**Fort Atkinson Public Library.** "Being from a small town where money is hard to come by, we probably wouldn't have a library without Direct State Aid. The poor in our area have access to computers and reading materials in the library that they would not have otherwise."

**Lamoni Public Library** used Direct State Aid to purchase new books for children. "With the new, colorful and age-appropriate materials, kids have been learning all about their favorite animals. One small child has been so excited to read about penguins, his parents think he might actually become one! Thank you!"

**Marshalltown Public Library.** "Direct State Aid, by boosting our personnel budget and therefore our hours open, has made it possible to serve more customers and report strong usage statistics. On April 11, 2006, community voters approved a bond referendum to build a new library. This kind of support grows gradually, year after year, when a library is seen as a busy place, trying its best to deliver good service, to be responsive to customers' demands for convenient hours of operation, and capitalizing on whatever funding streams are available. Direct State Aid is one of the pieces which made a new library for Marshalltown possible."

**Winthrop Public Library.** "We were able to use part of Direct State Aid for an author's visit which was very popular in our community. A patron new to the library world attended the program. He was so interested that he checked out and read his first book since graduating from high school."

## Uses by Iowa public libraries of Direct State Aid (\$1,000,000)



Based on 471 Iowa public libraries reporting expenditures of Direct State Aid funds

**NE = Not Eligible for Direct State Aid  
NR = No Report**

<b>City</b>	<b>Direct State Aid Amount</b>	<b>Categories for Use of Direct State Aid</b>	<b>Use of Direct State Aid Funding by 471 Public Libraries</b>
<b>Ackley</b>	<b>\$1,747.79</b>	Personnel, Materials & Supplies	Additional staff hours; books for elderly, children. We have had an increasing number of elderly using our library, especially the large print section. During story times and summer reading program, we had 800+ books checked out. A lady who rarely used our library was widowed suddenly and had lots of time on her hands. She now has become a prolific reader and also requests books on SILO weekly. She is encouraging her friends to frequent our library.
<b>Adair</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Adel</b>	<b>\$1,658.67</b>	Technology & Equipment	New copy machine. Our patrons love the new copier. It's much easier to use than the old one.
<b>Agency</b>	<b>\$1,314.27</b>	Materials & Supplies	We purchased children's accelerated reading books to partner with our local school district's reading program and meet the need of students in our town.
<b>Akron</b>	<b>\$1,121.87</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Landmark audio and CD leases; fax machine, Brodart processing software, Sagebrush conversion. The fax machine is used almost daily. People who are not regular library customers come in for this service. Customers enjoy borrowing CD and audio books when they commute to and from work, exercising, or for long trips.
<b>Albert City</b>	<b>\$1,370.09</b>	Materials & Supplies; Other	Large print books; CatExpress cataloging supplement. There is a person who was recently admitted to the nursing home as a resident. She is so pleased that she can get large print books that are current bestsellers.
<b>Albia</b>	<b>\$1,627.46</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Audio books on tape and CD, DVDs; new fax machine. We had a mother come in who needed to get insurance papers to her daughter at college. The girl was ill and couldn't get complete care without the forms. Because we replaced our fax machine, we were able to fax the papers to the clinic at the college, which saved the mother a 2-hour drive. Although other places in town have fax machines, we are located near the square and are open until 6 p.m.
<b>Albion</b>	<b>\$499.07</b>	Materials & Supplies	Books and program supplies. Our library is able to maintain new books and magazines of current interest because of Direct State Aid.
<b>Alden</b>	<b>\$588.33</b>	Materials & Supplies	Audio books in CD format
<b>Alexander</b>	<b>\$1,410.82</b>	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	New books and DVDs; summer library program books, supplies, games and treats. One of our purchases was 40 stuffed animals which the kids adopted, took home and wrote a story about. They loved it. DVDs bring in patrons from all over. Oh how we appreciate this extra help. Thanks!



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<b>Algona</b>	<b>\$2,805.46</b>	Technology & Equipment	We purchased a laptop computer and portable LCD projector. We have been able to take programs on PowerPoint out to community groups. When we had an author visit in conjunction with the schools, the author was able to use our equipment for her presentation. She captured the attention and imaginations of the Kossuth County children and their teachers who attended the programs.
<b>Allerton</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Allison</b>	<b>\$1,454.47</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Extra staff hours for cataloging our library collection; DVDs. We were able to hire a well qualified staff member which affects every patron who uses the library. Patrons are purchasing DVD players and this gives them a choice in library selections.
<b>Alta</b>	<b>\$1,131.10</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Children's books; computer printers. There is a couple who are always doing research on the Internet and they appreciate the new printer for its reliability. They now have attractive hard copies of their pictorial collections.
<b>Alta Vista</b>	<b>\$1,328.75</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Set of Book of Knowledge, set of Character Building books for children; new computer. Students use the computers a lot for their homework and research material. With this funding, all our patrons have been helped and the library has improved service to our community. Students use the Book of Knowledge for their reference needs.
<b>Alton</b>	<b>\$1,147.75</b>	Materials & Supplies	Set of state books. The local public and private school students do state book reports every year. Current facts and information is important to them.
<b>Altoona</b>	<b>\$5,054.28</b>	Materials & Supplies	Purchased additional audio books, CD and tape. The new audio books have been well received and our circulation is now way up. We have several older patrons who had listened to everything we had. They have trouble reading, so the new audio books have been very useful to them.
<b>Ames</b>	<b>\$14,672.16</b>	Library Programs	Project Smyles. A pilot program to bring library service to children in day care, preschool and kindergarten in Ames Public Library's service area. Each visit includes a bookmobile tour, a visit from Smyles (the big blue dog), a storytime and a folder of information for caregivers about early literacy activities, and other things, including a book the kids can keep.
<b>Anamosa</b>	<b>\$2,566.49</b>	Personnel	Hired a part-time employee to manage the circulation desk.
<b>Anita</b>	<b>\$1,476.95</b>	Technology & Equipment	Helped purchase Destiny automation software. Our catalog is now online and the most current automation circulation available. People have told us how they like to visit our catalog when they're on our Web site.

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<b>Ankeny</b>	<b>\$9,948.22</b>	Technology & Equipment	Computers, EBSCOhost subscription, a laptop computer and software. The laptop is used by community groups in the meeting room and it is greatly appreciated. We added EBSCOhost's on-line car repair database which is often used.
<b>Anthon</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Aplington</b>	<b>\$1,478.45</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Salary increase; books, CDs; technical support and updates, DSL line.
<b>Archer</b>	<b>\$454.65</b>	Personnel	The library extended its hours and the funding was used to increase the salary of the director to compensate. Extended library hours allow people to come when it is more convenient for them. Several people commented that since the library is open earlier on a certain day, they could now visit much easier than before.
<b>Arlington</b>	<b>\$1,305.02</b>	Materials & Supplies; Furniture; Library Programs	New books on CD for juveniles, new books; rotating CD and audio display; incentives for summer reading. These funds provide enough money to purchase new materials. Children use the books on CD to help with their reading skills.
<b>Armstrong</b>	<b>\$1,421.37</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Nonfiction books for the primary department; fax machine; computers repaired and updated. Our book budget was not enough to add a new section for primary non-fiction, which is very popular with young children.
<b>Arnolds Park</b>	<b>\$1,581.93</b>	Personnel; Library Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Extended hours for director to begin automation project of barcoding all the books; added books on CD; upgraded the automation scanner and computer.
<b>Arthur</b>	<b>\$429.07</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books, videos and audio books. This funding is crucial to our new materials budget. Without it, our new materials would be cut in half. Thank you!
<b>Ashton</b>	<b>\$939.34</b>	Personnel	The money enables us to be open 20 hours a week, many of them after school and in the evening.
<b>Atkins</b>	<b>\$1,501.71</b>	Technology & Equipment	New computer and DSL projector
<b>Atlantic</b>	<b>\$2,923.88</b>	Technology & Equipment	Replaced 10 old computers. The frustration level of customers is way down since purchasing new computers, and circulation is smoother and quicker. A patron working on a master's degree was able to use our new computers to submit work to a professor.
<b>Auburn</b>	<b>\$532.99</b>	Library Materials	Used to supplement the library's large print book collection, for which we have a growing demand. The books are popular with over 70% of our regular adult patrons.

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<b>Audubon</b>	<b>\$811.51</b>	Furniture; Library Programs	Bookcases for the children's library; children's program. Over 100 children and adults attended the children's program. The children who attended loved the millipedes and the snakes, and even though they were a little shy, everyone held and touched the bull snake. It was a very exciting program for the children and adults alike.
<b>Aurelia</b>	<b>\$1,465.04</b>	Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Internet access, computer, printers; summer reading program supplies. Our new patron computer reduced waiting time for others. It is fast enough to allow Internet browsing. One patron who belongs to a poetry club is now able to download and print her club news without having to wait for the other computers to be free.
<b>Aurora</b>	<b>\$433.63</b>	Materials & Supplies	Books and audio books. Thanks to Direct State Aid, we were able to add to our audio book collection and checkouts went up 23%. The additional books helped boost circulation by 11% by both adults and children. A young mother is going back to college and has an hour (one way) commute. Between homework and children, she doesn't have as much time to read, so she has been making good use of our audio book collection to listen to during the drive.
<b>Avoca</b>	<b>\$1,619.31</b>	Capital Improvements; Other	Trapezoid windows in balcony leaked when it rained and caused damage to brick and paint in children's area. Replaced three windows. Brand new or very popular children's books were not being checked out if they did not have an accelerated reading test. Purchased the tests so we had books available beyond what the school owned. More books are now being checked out.
<b>Badger</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Bagley</b>	<b>\$1,328.33</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Increased young adult and junior fiction collections with new books; DSL hookup and networking on work station and patron computers; new low shelving in the children's area. Direct State Aid allows staff and patrons to be online at the same time. Patrons have unlimited use of our online services. The new books have pulled a previously unreachable group of patrons back to active use of the library.
<b>Bancroft</b>	<b>\$1,461.09</b>	Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Computer software and support for circulation and catalog, anti-virus software; two children's theatres, summer reading program supplies, craft supplies and awards. With Direct State Aid funding we were able to provide our community with two children's theatres. They were wonderful and the children (and adults) loved them. Direct State Aid also enhanced our summer reading program greatly. These funds are needed now more than ever with budget cuts. We need and appreciate these funds. Thank you very much!
<b>Batavia</b>	<b>NE</b>		

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<b>Battle Creek</b>	<b>\$1,361.38</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Salaries for additional staff; children's books; summer reading program. We are able to offer a variety of periodicals. We used some of the money to purchase books as prizes for children in the summer library program.
<b>Baxter</b>	<b>\$1,430.62</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Travel for the librarian; new books; summer library program.
<b>Bayard</b>	<b>\$1,382.15</b>	Technology & Equipment	New circulation system. Switching to a Web-based circulation system has provided our patrons with an on-line catalog available for any computer with Internet access. It also provides staff with a more efficient cataloging tool and gives patrons a more accurate catalog for searching. Less time is now spent on cataloging which means we have more time for helping our patrons!
<b>Beaman</b>	<b>\$1,372.69</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Other	2006 Popular Science subscription; replaced router, 24-part network switch and APC. Installed Java, Alliance Plus, VNC on two computers; new IP address; reconfigured all PCs, set up new print mapping and configured port forwarding to server; service calls. Cleaned carpet. Direct State Aid definitely helped our community by making the money available to make needed improvements of a router, network, switch and APC.
<b>Bedford</b>	<b>\$532.43</b>	Technology & Equipment	Maintenance agreement for microfiche reader/printer. Without this funding, we would not be able to afford the maintenance agreement on our machines and we can't afford to have them breakdown. People come from all over the U.S. to use our microfiche.
<b>Belle Plaine</b>	<b>\$1,927.10</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs; Other	Book labels and posters for the new young adult area, book bags for National Book Week, DVDs and microfilm; new printer; rugs for adult, children's and teen areas, two chairs for the junior area; supplies for the summer reading program including food, craft supplies and prizes; new signage in the library. We have developed a teen area and improved our other children's and adult areas. We've heard several comments on how well they add to that "come and stay" feel in the library.
<b>Bellevue</b>	<b>\$1,902.99</b>	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Purchased young adult books that we never could have afforded, additional juvenile titles; created a new young adult area and bought some furniture and a large rug.
<b>Belmond</b>	<b>\$2,053.12</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Audio books, DVDs, books; software for computers. An elderly patron losing her eyesight and a younger woman who has difficulty reading after suffering a stroke both appreciate our audio book collection. They both really look forward to new titles.

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<b>Bennett</b>	<b>\$454.58</b>	Materials & Supplies	Videos, program supplies. We are able to offer more of what our patrons are requesting and circulation has improved as well as program attendance.
<b>Bettendorf</b>	<b>\$8,310.27</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Other	Contract with public relations person; young adult materials, net-library books; Web products (Dear Reader.com & Events), printing of full color annual report, direct mail marketing piece. 332 people have signed up to use our net-library books.
<b>Birmingham</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Blairstown</b>	<b>\$1,360.75</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	Started a large print bestseller standing order plan, music CDs for teens, "teen-oriented" DVDs; small, light weight boom box for seniors to check out and use to listen to audio books; new area rug, low table, DJ lighting for teen area; sponsored an Iowa Teen Award contest and bought duplicate books, NP3 player and gift certificates for prizes; invited all the seniors to a brunch to get input into what materials and programs they would like to see at the library. We have a teen patron who first started coming in to use our computers. In a few weeks he discovered the movies and started checking those out. Pretty soon he discovered the audio books and checked those out, including several instructional foreign language CDs. He made the comment, "I feel a lot smarter since I started using the library."
<b>Blakesburg</b>	<b>\$449.22</b>	Personnel; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Furniture; Library Programs	Additional salary for classes for state certification (librarian); EBSCOhost subscription; rug for children's corner; computer desk; certificates for children's story hour and gift bags for books given out. Moving into a new library with the new additions has improved our patronage. We have a blind child who likes to sit on the new rug and feel it.
<b>Bloomfield</b>	<b>\$1,327.18</b>	Technology & Equipment	Orbit Wedge scanner and two EcoQuest ionizers. The scanner sits on the circulation desk and we are able to check things in and out more efficiently. The ionizers have improved the air quality on both floors.
<b>Bode</b>	<b>\$932.24</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Three complete children's series and non-fiction books; new computer; summer library reading program. This year we focused on Norwegian Vikings to tie in with our <b>Quasicentennial</b> . (Bode has a strong Norwegian heritage.) We were so pleased to be able to enlarge our children's section with these series of books. The children love them and our circulation has increased. We always needs to replace computers. We would not be able to do this without this wonderful extra funding!

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<b>Bonaparte</b>	<b>\$439.25</b>	Materials & Supplies	State aid is always spent on new books and the summer reading program. Money spent on the summer reading program brings the smaller children into the library and introduces them to the library. If we don't get the younger ones interested in the library, it will die.
<b>Bondurant</b>	<b>\$1,695.14</b>	Materials & Supplies	113 non-fiction children's books. We were able to decrease the age of our collection by one year by adding extra new materials and weeding.
<b>Boone</b>	<b>\$4,474.16</b>	Materials & Supplies	Adult audio books and juvenile videos. Our CD audio book circulation is increasing at a rapid rate. These additional funds help meet the growing demand for audio books, and allow us to purchase mostly unabridged versions which are preferred by our patrons.
<b>Boyden</b>	<b>\$1,083.12</b>	Materials & Supplies	Books on CD, large print books. We have many patrons who drive truck or are farmers. Books on CD are a lifesaver for them to help pass the time.
<b>Breda</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Britt</b>	<b>\$1,797.18</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Salary for librarians to keep summer evening hours; expand CD collection and music CDs; help pay for two replacement computers; expand story hour and summer library programs. Funding helps us be better librarians and provide services rather than always scrambling for funds. It was great to be able to say "Yes, we can do that!" when people wanted more evening hours.
<b>Brooklyn</b>	<b>\$1,100.13</b>	Personnel; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Paid for staff to help with summer reading story times; new computer; postage for mailing books back from our "Lets Talk About It" program. It helps to keep our computers updated. I don't know how we would ever get new ones without Direct State Aid.
<b>Buffalo Center</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Burlington</b>	<b>\$5,886.67</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Non-print and print materials; computers, scanner. The Direct State Aid funds allowed our library to expand the range of our circulation offerings. The computer equipment will make digitizing of unique Burlington resources possible.
<b>Burt</b>	<b>\$543.46</b>	Technology & Equipment	New circulation computer. This money is so greatly appreciated year after year. The upkeep and improvements we can make with this additional funding makes the library a greatly used place. I know that by updating our circulation computer it has totally helped out the library staff. We were able to purchase a flat screen and now we have more room on our desk. Little things that may seem small or unnoticed are huge in this library! Thanks for this funding!
<b>Bussey</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Calamus</b>	<b>NE</b>		

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<b>Callender</b>	<b>\$1,388.98</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Purchased new books; new computer for children's area. We only had one useable computer. Adding another greatly improved access for the community, especially during term paper time when students needed to type and do research.
<b>Calmar</b>	<b>\$1,539.03</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Adult audio books and CDs, young adult/junior non-fiction and reference books, elementary/children's non-fiction titles; utilized infrastructure money toward the purchase of a new copy machine. As a result of Direct State Aid, we have been able to expand our audio book collection and have begun purchasing more books on CD. I have one person who is legally blind and relies heavily on audio books for pleasure. I was able to purchase four sets of "Animals of the World" which will be a valuable resource for students of all ages.
<b>Camanche</b>	<b>\$2,149.68</b>	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Audio books, music CDs, large print and children's books; supplies and prizes for summer library program; adult book discussion group.
<b>Cambridge</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Cantril</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Carlisle</b>	<b>\$1,495.82</b>	Technology & Equipment	Used toward new computer server and circulation workstation for automated cataloging and circulation systems. Without Direct State Aid, purchasing these items would have to be delayed.
<b>Carroll</b>	<b>\$3,832.92</b>	Materials & Supplies	New DVDs including items designed for patrons learning English. Because of Direct State Aid, we are able to offer new services to a growing number of immigrants in our community.
<b>Carter Lake</b>	<b>\$1,921.32</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Hired summer help; books on CD; computer software.
<b>Cascade</b>	<b>\$1,682.87</b>	Technology & Equipment	Purchased two new computers – one for circulation and the other for customer use. Being able to have two computers for circulation makes for faster and smoother service for patrons. The new patron computer makes it easier and faster for people to access the information they need.
<b>Casey</b>	<b>\$526.45</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Salaries; audio books.

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<b>Cedar Falls</b>	<b>\$10,636.92</b>	Personnel	Cedar Falls and Waterloo public libraries combined Direct State Aid money to fund the "Gray Matters" coordinator's salary. Direct State Aid ensures the continuation of a grant called "Gray Matters" by providing for the project coordinator's salary. The program targets active seniors and seniors who live in retirement/nursing centers. The program provides aids and devices to enhance reading abilities for seniors and disabled customers, plus provides motorized carts and special walkers for those with mobility problems. Book discussion groups at nursing and retirement centers continue. Other services offered include recruiting and training volunteers for outreach, a special Web site for seniors and the use of bi-folkal kits.
<b>Cedar Rapids</b>	<b>\$30,239.98</b>	Materials & Supplies	Adult and children's books, DVDs, audio books and magazines. Direct State Aid continues to be an important supplement to the materials budget.
<b>Center Point</b>	<b>\$1,290.77</b>	Personnel; Technology & Equipment	Continuing education for librarian; Cyber Power 900, External WD, DurableC, Infocus Play project. Our library circulation needed two check out computers. We are networking our check out desk computers and the office computer to make guest services quicker. We have non-traditional students use our computers for their classes. We have an average of 65 people a day using our nine computers.
<b>Centerville</b>	<b>\$2,603.81</b>	Materials & Supplies	Children's DVDs, young adult fiction and non-fiction books, large print Westerns and general fiction, adult DVDs and audio books. With Direct State Aid, we have met the increasing demand for DVDs and audio books. Improved the young adult collection by ordering from the American Library Association's "Teens Top Ten Books" list and Best Young Adult literature. We have had several teen boys begin reading the young adult books and spending more time in the library. We believe this will make them more apt to use the library as they become adults, and we hope the increase in reading will improve their reading comprehension.
<b>Central City</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Chariton</b>	<b>\$2,366.01</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Other	Periodical subscriptions; automation software; audio-visual licensing fees. Direct State Aid allows us to order magazines patrons request. With the automation software, we are working towards becoming a technologically advanced library. The licensing fees allow our patrons to enjoy our collection without leaving the building. Students who use the Follett system in their schools are able to search our collection in a way that is already familiar to them. It has increased their use of our collection and encouraged them to use the library's other services.



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<b>Charles City</b>	<b>\$3,262.84</b>	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	DVDs, audio books on CD; "Jason the Juggler." We have many customers who commute to work or drive as part of their work. They appreciate the books on CD. We had about 180-200 people at the Wednesday events for summer reading programs. It's wonderful to see parents bring their children and stay! The city has held media funding constant for six years. We are able to add non-print media (DVDs/CDs) with Direct State aid.
<b>Charter Oak</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Chelsea</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Cherokee</b>	<b>\$2,510.64</b>	Materials & Supplies	Non-fiction and large print books; second copies of popular titles and authors. With Direct State Aid we have been able to lessen the waiting time for our patrons on books by Steel, Patterson, etc., by purchasing second copies. We have also been able to purchase more large print books, which have become extremely popular with older patrons.
<b>Churdan</b>	<b>\$1,482.45</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Director paid mileage to take Public Library Management classes; expanded CD audio book selection; printer, scanner, fax machine. The Public Library Management classes helped me learn so much about all the areas of the library -- finance, programming, and introduced me to so many things I didn't know I needed to know! This will help me be a better director. A patron brought in a snapshot of her son with his granddaughter and we enlarged and cropped it on our new scanner/computer program. She was so pleased.
<b>Clare</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Clarence</b>	<b>\$1,422.73</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs; Other	Hired an assistant; purchased large print and audio books; summer reading program; storage units to organize back room area. The ability to purchase new books and audio books has greatly been appreciated. More people have checked out audio to listen to in their cars. Our large print books have been a great asset to an elderly woman.
<b>Clarinda</b>	<b>\$1,721.64</b>	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	New DVD collection, books on CD; promotional materials for National Library Week and "Kids Fun Night." Sidewalk sign purchased to help promote all library programs. Developing a DVD and CD collection has had an enormous positive impact on the library. The books on CD have allowed a patron to continue enjoying books even though his eyesight no longer allows him to read.
<b>Clarion</b>	<b>\$2,122.78</b>	Other	Architectural consultations.

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<b>Clarksville</b>	<b>\$1,560.67</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Other	Replaced damaged books; microreader replacement toner; updated the lights in the lower level of the library; browser covers for DVDs and videos. Our video selection has become more popular with the new display and we can better serve those coming in to work on genealogy with our new microreader toner. The lower level of the library is now much brighter which makes it easier for us to see. The energy efficient lights will also help our electricity bill in the future!
<b>Clear Lake</b>	<b>\$3,387.61</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Audio books and CDs; computer and accessories.
<b>Clearfield</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Cleghorn</b>	<b>\$1,275.49</b>	Materials & Supplies	Audio books on CD and cassettes, adult and children DVDs. Direct State Aid helps us meet patrons' demands. With the change from cassette players to compact discs, patrons have appreciated our selections of CDs. This past year, patrons checked out 942 DVDs. This is a big success story in itself.
<b>Clermont</b>	<b>\$926.05</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	New adult and children's books, reference books; Inkjet printer, print server. The new color printer will be connected to all the public computers to save time and space and make better copies.
<b>Clinton</b>	<b>\$7,747.41</b>	Capital Improvements	Consultant fees and expenses associated with developing a building program document for the Harding School site to construct a 42,000 sq. ft. library. The building program developed with Direct State Aid funds was not in the regular library budget. The building program document permits trustees to enter into discussions with architects regarding a new library.
<b>Clive</b>	<b>\$4,098.45</b>	Materials & Supplies	Books and CDs
<b>Clutier</b>	<b>\$424.49</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Librarian training and salary; Accelerated Reader books, books and magazines. We are quite a few miles from the nearest school. Children enjoy coming into check the books out. We had a poor family who has a little one who needs to read more Accelerated Reader books for school. Living so far from the school, they came to our library to check the books out. If the child reads so many books and does a good job on the tests, he'll get points which will go towards a pizza party. He was very happy to be able to check out the books, take the tests, and earn the points.
<b>Coggon</b>	<b>\$975.55</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books
<b>Coin</b>	<b>NE</b>		

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<b>Colesburg</b>	<b>\$1,290.31</b>	Furniture	New check out desk. Direct State Aid helped us purchase a new check out desk. Without this money, we would still be fund raising for this project. Direct State Aid has made a great difference in the director's life. The desk has much more storage and a built-in file cabinet. Patrons can be taken care of in a more timely manner.
<b>Colfax</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Collins</b>	<b>\$869.46</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	New books, CDs, DVDs; computer monitor, desk skins, laptop wipes, CD/DVD cleaner, patch cables, DVD/VCR, Duraband TV; book storage containers for children's section; store hour and summer library program. We have been able to purchase up-to-date children's materials that our book budget does not normally accommodate. We were also able to provide story time library programs to more kids than we have been able to serve. We had one little boy with behavioral and development problems who started coming to story hour. Initially he would not sit, look at books, do crafts or even eat a snack. After two months of consistently coming, he learned to do all of the above, learned to share and started enjoying himself. He and his family will also be coming to our summer reading programs.
<b>Colo</b>	<b>\$1,616.12</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Purchased 2005 set of World Book Encyclopedias; purchased a flat screen monitor and two cordless mice for the circulation desk; many special events and a speaker during children's programs, quilting and tatting class, a clown, cheerleaders, drum line, Society for Creative Anachronism, and more. Many new people have been using the library due to the classes. Attendance at children's programs has increased.
<b>Columbus Junction</b>	<b>\$1,693.98</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	New books including young adult fiction; installation of new computers. Service in our community has improved because we are in a new building with new furniture. In the future, I look forward to doing more programming.
<b>Conrad</b>	<b>\$1,591.67</b>	Materials & Supplies	Audio books, DVDs, adult fiction and nonfiction, and periodicals.
<b>Coon Rapids</b>	<b>\$1,536.77</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Staff training; computer software; new computer.
<b>Coralville</b>	<b>\$5,743.03</b>	Personnel	Hired additional staff to assist with special collection development projects and supplement public service assistance. Our library has faced rapid increases in use and circulation and Direct State Aid allowed us to expand our collection development program to help catch up with demand.
<b>Corning</b>	<b>\$1,692.17</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books.

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<b>Correctionville</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Corwith</b>	<b>\$954.55</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Training and workshops for staff; New books and DVDs; scanner for barcodes; summer reading program.
<b>Corydon</b>	<b>\$1,558.89</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Additional staff hours (open one evening); Iowa Teen Award and Iowa Children's Choice books, audio books. Later evening hours mean the library is more convenient for people who work until 5 p.m.
<b>Coulter</b>	<b>\$1,412.07</b>	Technology & Equipment	New computer, fax, copier and printer. Direct State Aid enables us to keep up our current tech plans. There have been numerous people using the Internet for job searches and making resumes. They are always so grateful for this service, especially if they get a job.
<b>Council Bluffs</b>	<b>\$15,189.62</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs; Other	Videos, books, containers for youth department, Spanish books, "Bound to Stay Bound" books, CDs; computer cable, RAM electronic wall plates, wiring for computers, online reference source; painting, chair mats, carpets; two author visits; Winsor "Dial-A-Story." This year Direct State Aid has helped the library offer new formats, move a computer lab to a better location in the building, do some facility maintenance, offer programming we would not have had funds to do, and introduce Dial-A-Story. The new format is offered in both English and Spanish. Due to requests, we purchased LeapFrog Leap pads and books in both languages.
<b>Cresco</b>	<b>\$2,264.48</b>	Materials & Supplies	Purchased new books, especially large print. I can't count the number of times people have asked if we have a book in large print. As people age, they appreciate the fact they can still read with comfort.
<b>Creston</b>	<b>\$3,107.37</b>	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Other	Computer antivirus software; carpet cleaned; new databases.
<b>Crystal Lake</b>	<b>\$1,327.86</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Training for librarian, as well as a substitute when librarian is gone; Amazon credit plan book, DVDs and a VCR; Computer Systems Unlimited; new bookcase.

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<b>Cumberland</b>	<b>\$872.25</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Extended library hours and paid mileage for librarian attending continuing education; three new magazine subscriptions; summer reading program prizes. We are open more hours to better serve customers. The director attended Public Library Management I classes to learn of new ways to serve the community. We have many families in the community that cannot afford a computer or Internet access. Public computer access is vital to them and being open more hours helps us reach more people.
<b>Cushing</b>	<b>\$400.41</b>	Capital Improvements	Direct State Aid was spent on renovations to the library which was relocated to Main Street. It is more visible and accessible to the community and especially those with handicaps. Several senior citizens who were not previously customers of the library have taken out library cards and become regular visitors. They have become readers! They also enjoy seeing their friends at the library.
<b>Dallas Center</b>	<b>\$1,647.59</b>	Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Software and camera to monitor program room; shelving and bench for front entry.
<b>Davenport</b>	<b>\$23,689.70</b>	Personnel; Other	Sunday hours; "Libraries Together" study. The "Library's Together" student was a first-ever formal collaborative endeavor of the four libraries/systems in Scott County. The study was conducted by Consensus Group out of Kansas City and ties into the Scott County Supervisors' Blue Ribbon Task Force Committee that is conducting its own study of all county services. Per citizens' survey, Sunday hours continue to be considered very important. Direct State Aid funding allows us to expand the number of Sundays in the schedule, providing time for families to enrich their lives by visiting the library together.
<b>Dayton</b>	<b>\$1,504.15</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Children's, adult and large print books; Internet access (DSL); Summer Reading Program.
<b>De Soto</b>	<b>\$1,393.82</b>	Technology & Equipment	Replaced server and computer/printer/scanner. Our 8-year-old computer server needed to be replaced. The server is used to run all library operations, software and records. With Direct State Aid funds, we were able to replace the server and computer.
<b>De Witt</b>	<b>\$2,771.05</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	"Books for Baby" program; CAT Express, attendance counter, new printer.
<b>Decorah</b>	<b>\$3,581.52</b>	Materials & Supplies;	Supplemented the large print collection, added to the books in CD collection.

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<b>Delhi</b>	<b>\$1,303.24</b>	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	New public access computer and flat panel monitor; three sets of ceiling lights for the young adult, paperback and magazine areas. The old computer was freezing up all the time and people didn't trust it anymore. We have noticed an increase in paperbacks being checked out now that people can see them!
<b>Denison</b>	<b>\$3,123.47</b>	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Purchased a Canon microfilm reader/printer; added four additional electrical outlets in an area that had none. The additional outlets allow people with laptops to plug-in while they use our wireless Internet. This adds to the overall concept of our library as a "place to be." One of the town's leading historians has been researching local history for a book which will be available during the summer's sesquicentennial celebration. His job is much easier with our new reader/printer.
<b>Denver</b>	<b>\$1,740.98</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Children's and juvenile non-fiction; helped purchase a new computer and computer tech time to set it up. Purchased new imaging drum for color printer.
<b>Des Moines</b>	<b>\$49,412.77</b>	Materials & Supplies	Books, audio books and CDs. Direct State Aid has improved our library collection and helped us toward our goal of a five-year median age for our materials.
<b>Dexter</b>	<b>\$918.93</b>	Materials & Supplies	Books on tape and CD. These items are in ever-increasing demand. People with sight problems and people who commute use them the most. The items greatly enhance our collection.
<b>Dickens</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Dike</b>	<b>\$1,562.58</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	Large print, audio and CD books; copier service contract, Internet; new water fountain; summer reading program supplies for 150 children. High speed Internet is loved by our patrons. Our three computers are constantly in use. The children love our summer reading program. Because of this extra funding, we had 150 children sign up for summer reading.
<b>Donnellson</b>	<b>\$1,446.44</b>	Personnel	The money was used for employees' salaries. We are open an additional three hours a week, which means better service to our customers.
<b>Doon</b>	<b>\$501.29</b>	Technology & Equipment	Direct State aid helped us purchase a new computer, which made our patrons very happy!
<b>Dow City</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Dows</b>	<b>\$1,558.17</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs; Other	Junior fiction and non-fiction books; portable telephone; summer reading program materials and supplies; patron barcode labels.

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<b>Dubuque</b>	<b>\$14,570.06</b>	Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements; Library Programs; Other	Young adult graphic novels, die cutting machine and supplies for professional appearing displays and bookmarks; redesign administration offices for greater efficiency; motion picture licensing so we can present a wide-range of movies to the community for free while complying with copyright laws; promotion – print ads and brochures to launch “Adopt-an-Author” campaign.
<b>Dumont</b>	<b>\$511.24</b>	Technology & Equipment	New computer. Computer use has greatly increased in the last year. Direct State Aid helped us add another computer and now we don't have as many people waiting in line.
<b>Duncombe</b>	<b>\$1,397.89</b>	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Furniture	4-in-1 HP Laserjet; new sink in children's room; commercial area rugs to protect carpeting. Our improvements this year made the greatest impact on staff convenience and efficiency which does, of course, mean more efficient service for our customers. The children especially love being able to use a sink in their own room, especially during story time, instead of having to go to the restrooms.
<b>Dunkerton</b>	<b>\$1,377.44</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Books and books on CD; new scanner for automation. One person was able to take books on CDs on a trip. He was ecstatic because his car didn't have a tape player.
<b>Dunlap</b>	<b>\$938.03</b>	Personnel; Capital Improvements	Salary for director's replacement for sick time and vacation; new book drop outside the building. The new book drop makes it much easier for people to return materials.
<b>Dyersville</b>	<b>\$2,259.36</b>	Materials & Supplies	Direct State Aid was used to support media materials like DVDs and audio CDs.
<b>Dysart</b>	<b>\$1,495.47</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Hired staff for preparation and implementation for children's program year round and summer story hours; new books on CD and series books for junior and young adults; book club expenses. Direct State Aid has enabled us to offer a year round pre-school story hour and add a newly updated young adult section.
<b>Eagle Grove</b>	<b>\$2,418.55</b>	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	Helped purchase a new laptop computer for director; storage shed; contracted with Wonder Weavers to perform during a summer reading program. The funding enhanced our programming budget.
<b>Earlham</b>	<b>\$1,579.59</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Director was able to attend Public Library Management classes; updated nonfiction and added new DVDs; summer reading program. We have several home-schoolers in our community who really appreciate new, updated non-fiction titles!
<b>Earlville</b>	<b>\$984.69</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Director was able to attend Public Library Management classes; books and program supplies; summer library program and chess club.
<b>Early</b>	<b>NE</b>		

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<b>Eddyville</b>	<b>\$1,470.46</b>	Personnel	Direct State Aid paid for additional staff so the library can extend its hours. We are able to stay open until 7:30 p.m. four days a week, thus enabling better hours for those who work or go to school during the day. Our circulation has improved.
<b>Edgewood</b>	<b>\$1,467.94</b>	Technology & Equipment;	Multimedia projector. I have had people using our community room ask if we have a projector for Power Point presentations. I'm sure this trend will continue. Our Chamber person is also promoting it to the business community as something we will lend out to them. We also have wireless Internet which is a good fit with this equipment.
<b>Elberon</b>	<b>\$438.09</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books. People have more up-to-date books to choose from for reference and leisure enjoyment. A patron was able to obtain the book he desired here, so he didn't have to go to a larger town or larger library.
<b>Eldon</b>	<b>\$1,003.37</b>	Materials & Supplies; Other	Membership to DVD and video rotation service, magazine subscriptions; pre-school story hour books and prizes. Our city has cut our budget so much over the last few years that without Direct State Aid, we wouldn't be able to continue our rotations or many of our magazine subscriptions. At the end of the school year, I give each of my pre-schoolers a brand new book of their own to take home. They are always so thrilled. It helps them remember the library is a place to keep visiting.
<b>Eldora</b>	<b>\$2,024.43</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Large print and other books, microfilm originals and copies; added wireless Internet; landscaping. Direct State Aid helped us keep things up-to-date.
<b>Eldridge</b>	<b>\$13,353.06</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Salary for part-time employee; helped purchase "Morningstar" financial database; five new computers for the newly remodeled Princeton branch library; helped to pay for new sidewalk. I had a little boy come into my office to tell me how excited he was that he could now ride his bike to the library. We also noticed that a local family childcare provider is using our early literacy outreach service as a selling point for her childcare. Our staffer had many providers thank her profusely and let her know that her visits help inspire them to work with the children and give them ideas to use in their lessons. They also appreciate the tubs of books she rotates among the providers every few weeks.
<b>Elgin</b>	<b>\$1,352.53</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books, audio books and DVDs. Direct State Aid allowed us to purchase books we otherwise would not have been able to. Many people tell us what a wonderful collection we have and that they rarely have to buy the books they want or go to other libraries to get them.



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<b>Elk Horn</b>	<b>\$1,346.31</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Large print and audio books; new computer. We are able to provide a better selection of large print books to our elderly customers.
<b>Elkader</b>	<b>\$1,637.71</b>	Materials & Supplies	Purchased an audio CD lease program. As the demand for audio books gets higher and the demand for new technology increases, we would not even come close to meeting people's demands without Direct State Aid. I have several people who travel extensively and are very hard to keep up with in new audio CD materials. This lease program has helped immensely in the ever increasing demand for new audio materials.
<b>Elliott</b>	<b>\$462.50</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books. Direct State Aid money helps us keep our books updated. We had good attendance at our summer reading program this year. The children enjoy reading fiction as well as non-fiction books. Large print books are popular with the adults, also.
<b>Ellsworth</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Elma</b>	<b>\$1,403.30</b>	Capital Improvements	Shingled the south side of a library room. Direct State Aid has helped free-up money that was to be used for capital improvements. Now that money can be used to purchase more library materials for public use. The improvements on the library building have greatly improved the look of the library. This building/library is a source of pride for many in our community.
<b>Ely</b>	<b>\$1,586.58</b>	Materials & Supplies	Graphic novels and popular teen series for young adults. As a result of our book purchases, we are now seeing more teens come into our library. They are enjoying the variety of books available to them.
<b>Emerson</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Emmetsburg</b>	<b>\$2,392.91</b>	Materials & Supplies; Other	Infobase publishing and sets of young adult reference books; microfilm duplicate rolls. Full coverage of library's newspaper holdings in microfilm has been assured with our microfilm purchase. Our growing young adult section is becoming popular and some of the young adult reference titles are the best in our collection on their subjects.
<b>Essex</b>	<b>\$1,379.74</b>	Materials & Supplies	Large print, children's, and audio books, CDs. Direct State Aid is greatly appreciated for helping us keep our collections updated. Funding is always a concern in a small library.
<b>Estherville</b>	<b>\$2,791.86</b>	Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Copy machine document feeder, network surge protector, computer equipment for children's department and computer MARC records; computer station for children's department. Thanks to Direct State Aid, we could add new features to the copy machine and write it into our network system. It became more user friendly for the average patron and enhanced the speed and efficiency of making copies.

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<b>Evansdale</b>	<b>\$905.73</b>	Materials & Supplies; Personnel	2006 encyclopedia; mileage reimbursement for staff. Direct State Aid allows us to provide the newest up-to-date versions of encyclopedias to our residents, which are still heavily used. It also allows us to go to daycares with our "Ramblin' Reader Program."
<b>Everly</b>	<b>\$913.15</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Mileage reimbursement and training for librarian; new books for summer library program; purchased incentive prizes, craft programs and artists to conduct art classes for summer library program. Direct State Aid made it possible to run the summer program for four weeks. It provides the training, supplies and money for other activities that would not otherwise be possible. This gives kids who are not involved in sports with something fun and creative to do.
<b>Exira</b>	<b>\$567.65</b>	Personnel	Staff salaries. Direct State aid helped increase employee's salaries, making their wages more comparable to other community positions. This creates a positive effect on employees, which reflects out to our patrons. With cost of living increasing, it is nice to have an increase in salary.
<b>Fairbank</b>	<b>\$1,451.43</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Furniture; Library Programs	Audio, large print, and children's reference books; fax machine toner cartridge, printer toner cartridge, automation supplies; new lights; book rack; book discussion group and postage to return borrowed books. I have been able to borrow books from other libraries so patrons may read books that aren't on our shelves.
<b>Fairfax</b>	<b>\$601.77</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books. Direct State Aid allows us to get more popular books than our regular budget allows.
<b>Fairfield</b>	<b>\$3,036.80</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies;	Our materials budget has been greatly reduced. Direct State Aid enables us to maintain standing orders for the most popular materials and bestsellers. Thanks to Direct State Aid we are able to order at least one copy of popular new novels, even during this time of budget cutbacks and downsizing.
<b>Farley</b>	<b>\$10,001.05</b>	Personnel; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Continuing education for staff and board; new copy machine, new server, automation upgrade and installation; brick veneer to outdoor/highway sign. I have never had enough money to send staff to the Iowa Library Association Conference. This year, all staff were able to attend at least one day and their registration was paid for.
<b>Farmersburg</b>	<b>\$456.37</b>	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	New books, DVDs; summer library program and school visits. The summer library program keeps getting bigger and bigger when we can provide incentives.
<b>Farmington</b>	<b>NE</b>		

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<b>Farnhamville</b>	<b>\$534.40</b>	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	We have used Direct State Aid to expand our audio books and CDs. We have several patrons with sight problems and this way they can keep up with their reading. Purchased new copy machine cart with wheels.
<b>Fayette</b>	<b>\$1,524.20</b>	Technology & Equipment	Laptop computer for ICN room and director's use. We've been able to do several Power Point presentations. We did two E-Bay instructional classes using this equipment. 36 people attended.
<b>Fenton</b>	<b>\$1,333.02</b>	Capital Improvements	Installed second new window and finished trim. Our library is very narrow and deep and our new windows at the front make it so open and light. The patrons love it.
<b>Fertile</b>	<b>\$1,354.28</b>	Materials & Supplies	Purchased new books. With Direct State Aid, we were able to expand our large print section.
<b>Fonda</b>	<b>\$928.33</b>	Materials & Supplies	We purchased DVDs to replace some of the VHS cassettes. Several people from a nearby town visit to check out DVDs because their library does not have a big selection. They are very impressed by ours.
<b>Fontanelle</b>	<b>\$1,367.49</b>	Personnel	Our library could not meet the state standard of being open 20 hours a week without Direct State Aid. The money pays the wages of the library staff. We are better able to serve patrons' needs for more hours that fit their individual schedules.
<b>Forest City</b>	<b>\$2,283.27</b>	Materials & Supplies	New DVDs. The majority of DVDs are Walt Disney classics that are not available in town. Patrons are happy to have these available for their families.
<b>Fort Atkinson</b>	<b>\$1,334.53</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Adult fiction and non-fiction, children's literature books, junior fiction books, and updated DVD collection; computers repaired, updated. Being in a small town where money is hard to come by, if we didn't have Direct State Aid, there wouldn't be a library. The poor in our area have access to computer technology and reading material.
<b>Fort Dodge</b>	<b>\$8,090.17</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Temporary person to fill in when staff person was on vacation; books, videos, DVDs, CDs. Without Direct State Aid, we wouldn't be able to purchase as many videos, DVDs and CDs.
<b>Fort Madison</b>	<b>\$1,395.13</b>	Technology & Equipment	Replace a public computer.
<b>Fredericksburg</b>	<b>\$1,510.57</b>	Personnel; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	All staff were able to get computer training classes and materials from the local AEA; new computer; signage for library meeting room door and sign for outside city limits. A woman traveling through Federicksburg has added a visit to the library to her agenda. She saw the sign!
<b>Galva</b>	<b>\$1,267.13</b>	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Books, audio books, DVDs; summer library program. With Direct State Aid, we can put on a better summer program for the kids and have a great selection of movies and books.
<b>Garden Grove</b>	<b>NE</b>		

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<b>Garnavillo</b>	<b>\$1,447.16</b>	Technology & Equipment	Laptop computer and multimedia projector, wireless Internet connection. With Direct State Aid, the library has been able to purchase equipment that will allow program presenters the ability to enhance their presentations.
<b>Garner</b>	<b>\$2,048.57</b>	Personnel; Technology & Equipment	Pay for one additional staff member to help with story times, and children's and young adult programs; partial payment for a INFOCUS projector. We were able to expand our summer reading program by offering programs and activities four days a week instead of just one.
<b>Garrison</b>	<b>\$472.00</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Young adult books; copy machine
<b>Garwin</b>	<b>\$900.12</b>	Technology & Equipment	Two telephone lines for library and Gates computer.
<b>George</b>	<b>\$1,041.45</b>	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Large print books and DVDs; summer reading program. The number of children participating has steadily increased. Without Direct State Aid, it would be difficult for us to keep up with customers' needs.
<b>Gilman</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Gilmore City</b>	<b>\$1,365.49</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Other	Salary for presenter for public school day care and pre-school story hours; books and materials for story hour; television set with DVD and video drives; movie site license. The pre-school and day care story hours are very popular with parents and children. The TV and movie site license has been used to initiate programs for showing movies in the library to children and senior citizens. So far the numbers in attendance are excellent. A big success!
<b>Gladbrook</b>	<b>\$1,435.87</b>	Materials & Supplies; Other	DVDs, summer reading books; removal of tree in front of building.
<b>Glenwood</b>	<b>\$2,576.25</b>	Technology & Equipment	Replaced two public Internet computers. Our patrons now have newer technology, faster processors, etc., and are very happy. There is always someone using them!
<b>Glidden</b>	<b>\$569.40</b>	Materials & Supplies	To enhance and promote library services, we purchased bookends, graphic lettering, display easels, color computer cartridges, paper, tape, spine labels, commercial signage, crayons, all types of marketers, posters and promotional materials. Our great focus has been to improve signage, display areas and organizational clarity. We color-coded all sections of the library to simplify and foster a greater degree of independent usage.
<b>Gowrie</b>	<b>\$1,535.35</b>	Materials & Supplies	Books and program materials. A family recently moved here from a larger city and the mother said that the Gowrie Public Library has all the favorite books and authors for her and her family. She said she is able to save time, gas and money by frequenting our library, rather than the library in her former hometown.

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<b>Graettinger</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Grafton</b>	<b>\$1,338.23</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Training for new librarian; new books, videos, CDs and DVDs, program supplies; Mark Wizard to help with cataloging; landscaping renovation. We had a lady from another town who came to check out our library for books on quilts. She was so impressed that she could access these from us because of Open Access.
<b>Grand Junction</b>	<b>\$1,456.97</b>	Personnel	An assistant children's librarian is partially paid for with these funds.
<b>Granger</b>	<b>\$459.07</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Audio books, CDs, DVDs; CD player, tape recorders, TV/DVD player; book cart. We will be able to provide a new outreach program. Money was used to provide library materials to our local nursing home. They are very limited in their ability to come to the library, so we bring the library to them!
<b>Greene</b>	<b>\$1,491.37</b>	Personnel	Open more hours a week. Library service in our community has improved through Direct State Aid because it assists us in maintaining our 50-hour per week schedule. We are open on Friday mornings and a growing number of people use the library at this time.
<b>Greenfield</b>	<b>\$1,724.92</b>	Library Programs; Other	Bought reading prizes for summer reading program; payment for microfilming Greenfield newspapers from 1900. Providing access to information and history of this community was well spent. Many people use the newspapers on microfilm to help them in various ways.
<b>Grimes</b>	<b>\$2,888.04</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	Purchased 1,000 CD wallet cases for audio books and television series on sale; new computer monitor; carpets cleaned; additional summer reading program activities.
<b>Grinnell</b>	<b>\$3,360.10</b>	Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements;	Large print books; architects' fees for design of new building. Our community has a large retired population and large print books are heavily used. This budget supplement helps maintain this collection, which we also circulate to smaller libraries in our region. We are making another big effort to build a new library and the need to update building plans was helped significantly by Direct State Aid funds.
<b>Griswold</b>	<b>\$1,457.47</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Purchased Iowa Choice books; TV/VCR/DVD player; CD cabinet. Direct State Aid supports our mission of providing a broad range of materials in a variety of formats, including print, CDs, and DVDs. The Iowa Choice books are greatly read by the middle/high school population. One student said, "When you're reading them, your heart starts racing."

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<b>Grundy Center</b>	<b>\$2,044.79</b>	Materials & Supplies	Update non-fiction items, increased collection of books on CD. We have some patrons who are now in long-term living and/or assisted living facilities who can no longer read. The new CDs allow them to still "read."
<b>Guthrie Center</b>	<b>\$1,731.13</b>	Technology & Equipment	Helped partially purchase a new copy machine. People can get copies easily and economically at the library in a town where there is hardly any other place to go. We have a man who is able to do people's income taxes from his home and not have to purchase a copy machine.
<b>Guttenberg</b>	<b>\$1,757.45</b>	Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements	Large print books and audio books; automatic door opener, new faucets for the restrooms, new handicapped signs for restrooms. Library service has improved due to easier access to the library for handicapped people, the very young, the elderly and people pushing strollers. Vision-impaired patrons now have more materials from which to select. A handicapped woman who uses a wheelchair can now enter the library independently since the installation of automatic doors.
<b>Hamburg</b>	<b>\$1,017.03</b>	Technology & Equipment	Barcode labels for books and patron key tags. These make our information services more accessible, easier to use and easier to monitor – translating into direct and tangible benefits to both library staff and patrons. Our customers appreciate having their library books checked out quickly and accurately.
<b>Hampton</b>	<b>\$2,798.19</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	DVDs, books on CD, Discover Packs, puppets; replaced a catalog CPU, replaced headphones and purchased a digital camera; installed fireplace doors; doubled the funds for the summer reading program. Although the collection of DVDs is still very limited, patrons appreciate having them available.
<b>Hanlontown</b>	<b>\$1,324.25</b>	Materials & Supplies	We have always used Direct State Aid to pay for our book lease program. When we gained more money after we were accredited, we spent it on an audio & CD leasing program. We have a patron who can no longer read because of eye problems. The audio and CD program allows us to furnish her with more books to listen to.
<b>Harcourt</b>	<b>\$1,354.73</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Purchased adult/juvenile books, audio books and books on CD; some money used toward new copy machine. Direct State Aid allows us to keep up on the latest books, etc., and replace equipment when it's needed. Patrons always like getting new best sellers and many like books on CDs.
<b>Harlan</b>	<b>\$2,679.57</b>	Materials & Supplies	Purchased audio books and large print books. We have a large demand for audio books in our community and Direct State Aid really helps fill the need.

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<b>Harpers Ferry</b>	<b>\$474.08</b>	Technology & Equipment	Wireless router, pays for Internet access for 10 ½ months. We have been able to continue DSL service and we added wireless service. We have overjoyed many travelers with the wireless access.
<b>Hartley</b>	<b>\$577.43</b>	Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Filter software updates, EBSCOhost subscription. We had a wonderful response to our summer library program and story hours. The children in the community really are the ones who benefited from Direct State Aid this year, as we were able to purchase supplies for them to interact with, either as a craft project or a group activity.
<b>Havelock</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Hawarden</b>	<b>\$1,967.36</b>	Materials & Supplies	Online World Book Encyclopedia, books on CD lease program. People are able to access encyclopedia immediately from our Web page. Encyclopedia is updated every two weeks so information is current. CD book circulation has been growing by leaps and bounds. Last week a pastor and son had to drive to Des Moines from NW Iowa. They listened to "Marley & Me." Also, one of our bankers said CD books make his business trips "fly by."
<b>Hawkeye</b>	<b>\$1,304.76</b>	Personnel; Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Extended library hours; copies of Microsoft XP; new casters on children's bench. Without Direct State Aid, we would not have been able to increase our hours.
<b>Hedrick</b>	<b>\$490.27</b>	Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	EBSCOhost subscription, anti-virus software; summer reading program, annual Halloween parade, gifts for volunteers on April Appreciation Day, summer reading theme "toss outs" for BBQ Days Parade. Bit by bit, stone by stone, this little library is coming of age. We have access to a whole world of information through EBSCOhost. Patrons are assured of help via EBSCOhost. As library director (the only employee) of a very small public library in a very small town, I am able to conduct fun activities for our children during summer reading. It really encourages kids to read and makes small town life more comfortable.
<b>Hiawatha</b>	<b>\$3,184.00</b>	Personnel	Open Sunday hours September through May.
<b>Hillsboro</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Holstein</b>	<b>\$1,542.93</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	New books, multimedia projector.

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<b>Hopkinton</b>	<b>\$919.77</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs; Other	Salary for janitor, library aide; "Library Sparks" magazine; singer for summer story hour; four appreciation gifts for adults who brought animals to summer story hours and people who brought games. The aide we hired last fall did a lot of typing and organizing for us. I just had a mother stop me at the post office this morning to tell me how much her preschooler enjoyed the horses that we had at summer story hour. I gave the dad in the family a gift certificate for all his trouble in bringing in fencing and other horse tack. He used his truck to help haul chairs and tables back to the library when we were finished.
<b>Hospers</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Hubbard</b>	<b>\$596.68</b>	Materials & Supplies; Furniture; Library Programs	Purchased a set of eight hard cover books – "Seriously Silly Stories;" two large storage cupboards; incentives, crafts, snacks and a pool party for the summer library program. Direct State Aid, used for the summer reading program, was a huge blessing. We were able to buy reading incentives and craft items, snacks and the pool party.
<b>Hudson</b>	<b>\$1,787.73</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Non-fiction books, DVDs; TV/DVD player. The Direct State Aid spent for books is the first part of the library board's current focus on collection development of non-fiction. Current materials will better serve our customers. The money spent on DVDs helps us to meet the existing demand. Shortly after we purchased the DVD player, the wife of an engineer who was in town for several months (a native of South America) used it a lot. She spent a lot of time in the library since she had no where else to go and really appreciated being able to watch movies part of the time.
<b>Hull</b>	<b>\$1,279.92</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	Magazine covers; printer, typewriter; clock, 3-tier multimedia hanging bag display, puppet tree; library programs. Our customers are very pleased with our new hanging bag display and, as a result, we have increased our checkout of cassettes and CDs. The biggest hit is our puppet tree. Adults and children are always playing with the puppets and putting on their own shows.
<b>Humboldt</b>	<b>\$2,465.70</b>	Materials & Supplies	Audio/video materials for adult and teen library. With Direct State Aid, we are able to offer a much broader collection of books on CD and DVDs to our patrons.
<b>Humeston</b>	<b>\$445.98</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Continuing education and mileage reimbursement for director; books and audio books; computer maintenance, purchased and installed new router. The library director is able to provide more efficient and effective service to all patrons because of the continuing education she receives to maintain certification. Several patrons travel great distances to visit family. They enjoy audio books while traveling. Several new ones were purchased and people are thrilled to have new choices.



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Huxley	\$1,246.07	Technology & Equipment	We ordered our first server and plan to have our own Web page and online catalog. This will make using the library more convenient for our patrons.
Ida Grove	\$1,765.28	Furniture	Two media display units. These will bring continuity of videos, audios and DVDs for ease of patron use. Without Direct State Aid, it would be hard for our library to afford these units.
Independence	\$1,994.72	Materials & Supplies	Children's books, graphic novels, reference materials. We were able to begin a graphic novel collection for children and young adults. We were able to update some of our reference materials.
Indianola	\$4,551.50	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	Two online database subscriptions (Heritage Quest and Opposing Viewpoints); Web site redesign; shelving in children's area; Humanities Iowa Speaker's Bureau (Underground Railroad in Iowa). Without Direct State Aid, we would not be able to have the variety of online databases that we do. When shelving became crowded in the children's area, we were able to purchase new ones.
Inwood	\$1,457.15	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Purchased new DVDs; computer and installation, color laser printer.
Ionia	\$1,344.14	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Director's salary and pay for part-time person to do weekly program for children ages 3-10; books for middle school book club – a weekly after school program. This fall we sponsored some adult programs and had special speakers and presenters come in for the adults, while the kids are at their program. This makes it a "Family Night."
Iowa City	\$18,869.80	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Supplies (new locking cases for DVDs); purchased new software and hardware to enhance materials security for DVDs. We were experiencing a sudden increase in theft of DVDs (found over 70 at one local resale shop). With Direct State Aid, we were able to quickly implement an enhancement to our security system to reduce these losses.
Iowa Falls	\$2,576.88	Materials & Supplies	Renew magazine subscription, plus new titles were added for a total of 98 magazines. Our magazines are very popular. The periodical area of the library is beautifully appointed and we have people who come in weekly, daily and monthly to sit and read magazines and newspapers, as well as check them out, especially in the winter. Our budget doesn't allow us to update travel books as often as we should. We have several people who are avid travelers. One family in particular plans vacation destinations by researching through our travel magazines.
Jamaica	NE		
Janesville	\$1,592.70	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Salaries for staff working Saturdays; books.

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<b>Jefferson</b>	<b>\$2,445.79</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Furniture; Library Programs	Salary for staff who taught computer classes to public; juvenile books on audio tape and CD, graphic novels for young adult collection, items for Creative Learning Center; juvenile software games, labor/wiring/router for wireless access; arched window blind; teacher resource shelf (bookcase); movie license for children's programming. With Direct State Aid, we were able to add wireless access to the library. Many adults continue to need basic computer instruction and take advantage of our free classes. Many students will benefit from adding children's books on tape and CD. Reluctant readers and those who find reading a challenge can now learn from and enjoy these books that we would not have in the collection without Direct State Aid. As school budgets are limited, we have been able to assist teachers by adding curriculum and theme resources.
<b>Jesup</b>	<b>\$1,785.12</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Books on CD, non-fiction books for elementary/middle school children, fiction books for adults and children; three flat screen monitors. We have many commuters who live in Jesup and work elsewhere. Our patrons are happy we can buy the books on CD. Our new flat screens are easier on the eyes and give more privacy. Christian fiction is in great demand.
<b>Jewell</b>	<b>\$1,617.25</b>	Technology & Equipment	Replaced old computer equipment.
<b>Johnston</b>	<b>\$3,900.95</b>	Materials & Supplies	Unabridged recorded books on CD. Direct State Aid enabled our library to augment our CD book collection and we are better able to meet the demand for unabridged titles. The feedback from our customers has been very positive.
<b>Joice</b>	<b>\$1,324.71</b>	Materials & Supplies	Direct State Aid went into our book budget. Being from a small, rural area, this amounts to about 5% of our budget and would be greatly missed if we didn't have it.
<b>Kalona</b>	<b>\$1,296.15</b>	Personnel	Hired three substitute clerks. Our library has expanded into a new building and offers so much more than a few years ago. Community expectations have also expanded. In order to keep up with everything, our budget and staffing have also expanded and the Direct State Aid payment has helped with our staffing needs.
<b>Kanawha</b>	<b>\$1,466.70</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Continuing education for librarian; books and DVDs. Every year money gets tighter. Our budget for technology has increased and technology is very important as patron usage has increased because of it. However, staff training and materials are a must! We are building up the DVD section since there is a large demand for it. Thank you for providing this money.
<b>Kensett</b>	<b>\$932.55</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books and computer supplies.

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<b>Keokuk</b>	<b>\$3,931.21</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Books and audio books; technology maintenance; AVAC repair and building maintenance
<b>Keosauqua</b>	<b>\$968.05</b>	Technology & Equipment	OCLC, Sagebrush technology/support. We continue to keep our circulation software upgraded and have service for software problems as they occur. OCLC enabled our librarians to catalog new acquisitions quickly and accurately. Our patrons can access the library catalog from their homes to determine if we have a specific title and if it is available.
<b>Keota</b>	<b>\$1,444.34</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Audio CDs, paper, print cartridges, adult and children's books; updated computers, new programs and games for youth, new headphones; summer reading program craft supplies, prizes and a program (The Zoo Man from Minnesota). Our youth have especially enjoyed all of our new computer games and new headphones, as well as having a wonderful time at our summer reading program. This year we combined our programs with our community's vacation Bible school programs. It was a huge success and we were able to reach out to more children and their families, as well as bring in new patrons to our library. We added Ancestry.com to our computers. Several of our patrons have gone out of their way to let us know how much they appreciate this new subscription.
<b>Keystone</b>	<b>\$1,361.90</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Twenty new DVDs; color laser copier/printer, color cartridge.
<b>Kimballton</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Kingsley</b>	<b>\$1,068.23</b>	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Leasing books on CD from Landmark; book bags and supplies for summer reading program. People have enjoyed listening to CDs as they go to work.
<b>Klemme</b>	<b>\$985.36</b>	Technology & Equipment	New computer for automation system.
<b>Knoxville</b>	<b>\$3,198.19</b>	Technology & Equipment; Other	Replaced two of 10 patron-use computers in order to maintain excellent technical service; replaced fax machine; Lego table for children's area. The Lego table is busy most of the time with children fine tuning their motor skills. Many people in our community are low income and cannot afford a home computer. They use our computers to fill out job applications, look up medical information, check car prices, etc. The fax machine is also getting heavy usage.
<b>La Porte City</b>	<b>\$1,757.49</b>	Materials & Supplies	Purchased new books which have been heavily used.
<b>Lacona</b>	<b>\$484.93</b>	Technology & Equipment	Extra telephone line for computer.

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Lake City	\$1,803.55	Materials & Supplies	Large print books and audio books. We have an unusually high proportion of older adults in our community. Offering large print and audio formats enables us to provide a means for people with failing eyesight to continue enjoying books.
Lake Mills	\$1,774.62	Materials & Supplies	New books. We did a thorough weeding of our books since we changed our mission statement and the new books support that mission.
Lake Park	\$1,016.57	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Direct State Aid was used to replace a set of encyclopedias that were 11 years old. Students use the set when working on term papers. We purchased an end-of-the-stack book display and an easel for promotional items. One of our patrons was making a quilt for her granddaughter and needed nautical pictures with vivid colors to copy for embroidery. She was pleased to find wonderful pictures in the new set of encyclopedias. This morning she came in to show off the finished product.
Lake View	\$1,576.22	Technology & Equipment	Direct State Aid allowed us to retain a technology person to update and maintain our computers.
Lakota	\$1,310.38	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Training and part of director's salary; purchased new books and postage; summer reading program. Patrons appreciate new books and are amazed at the services a small library can provide.
Lamoni	\$1,740.97	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Contract wages for summer library program director; summer library program supplies, junior fiction and non-fiction books and puppets. How can we measure the impact on our young readers of fun, exciting library programs and books? Our non-fiction books for younger children were becoming very outdated. With the new colorful and age-appropriate materials, they have been learning all about their favorite animals. One small child has been so excited about penguins that his parents are thinking he might actually become one! Thank you!
Lamont	NE		
Lansing	\$593.07	Technology & Equipment	Internet access, replaced librarian's office computer. Library patrons' computer usage has increased because of our high speed Internet access, and the librarian's work and record keeping is now more efficient and accurate because of her updated computer.
Larchwood	\$938.78	Technology & Equipment	Purchased new digital imager copy machine. We have many people in the community who rely on the library's copy machine to keep their records in order, especially during income tax season. We had a lady from another community get one of our library cards so she could use the copy machine. She said it was hard for her to find one in her own small town.
Laurel	NE		

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<b>Laurens</b>	<b>\$1,565.94</b>	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Automation system service agreement; heat pump replacement.
<b>Lawler</b>	<b>\$1,372.24</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Library supplies; new computer and color printer. We had to replace one of our computers and thanks to Direct State Aid, we were able to purchase a new computer and color printer.
<b>Le Claire</b>	<b>\$601.11</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Other	DVDs for collection; counter to record number of people who enter library; new toys and puzzles for preschool area. When young children attended summer programs with their older siblings, they frequently used the new toys and puzzles to amuse themselves.
<b>Le Grand</b>	<b>\$1,425.50</b>	Materials & Supplies	Books and large print books, books on CD.
<b>Le Mars</b>	<b>\$3,422.11</b>	Materials & Supplies	Direct State Aid was used to pay for our audio book subscription for the year.
<b>Ledyard</b>	<b>\$494.50</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books. I have one woman in my library who reads a lot and it is often hard to keep current materials available for her. Direct State Aid allowed me to purchase new materials to keep her busy reading.
<b>Lehigh</b>	<b>\$1,413.42</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Reimbursement for mileage and staff training; audio books, children's books and non-fiction books; children's programming, and summer reading and preschool story time supplies. Direct State Aid allows staff to attend continuing education training. The new children's fiction and non-fiction materials were helpful to a child just developing an interest in reading.
<b>Lenox</b>	<b>\$1,483.14</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	New DVDs, books for summer reading program; new ink cartridges for computer; new lights above computer. We couldn't manage without Direct State Aid. We have no budget for DVDs, summer programs or ink cartridges. We can afford to give books to children during our summer reading program that they could not afford to purchase. They are thrilled to get them.
<b>Leon</b>	<b>\$1,106.89</b>	Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements	Audio books and other materials; architectural consultation on building improvements. We used the majority of Direct State Aid to supplement our materials budget. Patron requests for new formats, especially CDs and DVDs, have put a strain on our stagnate materials budget.
<b>Letts</b>	<b>\$1,333.82</b>	Technology & Equipment	DSL and new computer
<b>Lewis</b>	<b>\$480.78</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs; Other	Continuing education classes for librarian; card catalog supplies; computer tech, Norton virus protection; paint for walls; author's program; new brochures, renovations in library areas. A young person with disabilities enjoys coming to the library and using the computer and Internet. With fixed incomes, some families don't have these extras. Direct State Aid has made a difference in his life!

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<b>Lime Springs</b>	<b>\$955.91</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Large print books and audio books on CD; new laser printer. Our patrons use the printer daily.
<b>Linden</b>	<b>\$827.74</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements	Extended open hours; new books; paint for interior. Direct State Aid has helped us stay open longer and provide reading material that people want.
<b>Linn Grove</b>	<b>\$459.71</b>	Personnel	Used toward staff wages. Thanks to Direct State Aid, we can afford to remain open more hours. We greatly appreciate our state funding.
<b>Lisbon</b>	<b>\$1,782.93</b>	Materials & supplies; Technology & Equipment	Children, young adults and adult books, books on CD, CDs to match books in print for young adults; Follett software update. We have been able to keep up with the demands of our customers. Circulation of all materials has increased this year, but especially in the categories of movies on DVD and books on CD or audiotape. Many young adults want to read books written above their reading ability. By making titles available in both print and CD or audio format, we enable them to share in a popular book phenomenon.
<b>Little Rock</b>	<b>\$496.53</b>	Materials & Supplies	Adult and children's books, adult audio books, library supplies. With Direct State Aid, we are able to serve our patrons with the CD audio books they need with their new cars. We have more truckers asking for audio books on CD.
<b>Livermore</b>	<b>\$1,362.95</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	Paid director's registration to Iowa Library Association Conference; set of World Book-Solar System Space books; TV with video/DVD player; vacuum cleaner; summer reading program prizes and incentives. The TV/video/DVD gives the library the opportunity to show movies during library programs and provides the community with a tool to use during meetings and classes. Incentives for the summer reading program are always a hit.
<b>Logan</b>	<b>\$1,564.24</b>	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	New audio books on CD, large print books, DVDs; office chair. Direct State Aid is a great boost to our budget. There is new interest for our large print books now that more people know they are part of our collection.
<b>Lohrville</b>	<b>\$1,358.41</b>	Personnel	Hired staff for summer reading program activities, and for adult and children's computer classes. More people are coming to the library using computers. They know someone will always be available to help them. The children get more attention from staff when we have programs.
<b>Lost Nation</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Lowden</b>	<b>\$1,386.55</b>	Furniture	Four new bookshelves will provide additional space for our adult fiction.

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<b>Lu Verne</b>	<b>\$1,365.79</b>	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Children's and reference books; children's and adult programs, summer reading program. New children's books keep kids interested in reading. Our adult programs are very popular and bring a lot of people into the library. Some young boys started using the library when we got some new monster truck and farm machinery books. Some farmers came into the library, too, to check out books on the history of farm machinery and tractors.
<b>Lynnville</b>	<b>\$517.12</b>	Materials & Supplies	DVDs. I have several shut-ins who can't see well enough to read, but can still watch movies. They have enjoyed the ones I delivered to them.
<b>Lytton</b>	<b>\$941.24</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Increased director's salary, hired an assistant; large print books. We increased the hours we are open. Our older patrons now have more large print books.
<b>Madrid</b>	<b>\$1,270.98</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Iowa Code on CD, new books; fax/scanner/printer. We had just received the Iowa Code on CD when a patron came in requesting the newest edition. It was great to have it on hand!
<b>Mallard</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Malvern</b>	<b>\$1,012.01</b>	Technology & Equipment	New laptop computer. We were able to complete our bar coding without removing large amounts of books from the shelves. It made it possible for cataloging purposes to go smoothly. People were able to check out books and there was no down time for the library during the process. With this new computer, we are able to do reports, posters, print pictures, do Power Point presentations, finish bar coding, and so much more. Thank you! The difference Direct State Aid has made in all of our lives has been amazing.
<b>Manchester</b>	<b>\$2,540.07</b>	Technology & Equipment	Purchased slip printer, staff workroom monitor, circulation computer, and paid part of the cost of a staff workroom computer with Direct State Aid. The new circulation computer and slip printer are much faster and more reliable than the older equipment, making us more efficient in serving patrons. The staff workroom equipment is used for cataloging, making signs and forms, etc., and allows the staff to be on a separate computer from the patrons and from circulation services.
<b>Manilla</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Manly</b>	<b>\$1,614.87</b>	Capital Improvements	Roller shades for building. We recently added five new computers to our library. We had to place three by our south windows, thus causing a glare. People were unable to view the screen properly. The new shades allow everyone to use the computers without problems.
<b>Manning</b>	<b>\$1,083.34</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Children's fiction and non-fiction books; some money used toward purchase of TV/DVD/VHS player for community room.

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<b>Manson</b>	<b>\$1,818.93</b>	Furniture	Replaced shelving. The books-on-tape section has grown by leaps and bounds. This new shelving makes it easier for both the patron and staff to find what they're looking for.
<b>Mapleton</b>	<b>\$1,527.92</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books on CD, DVDs. Our patrons now have a larger selection of books on CD and DVD. Circulation of these items is very high.
<b>Maquoketa</b>	<b>\$2,741.53</b>	Materials & Supplies	Fiction, reference and large print books, audio books on CD. The library's extensive large print and audio book collections are the core of our outreach program to the homebound Books on Wheels program. In addition, some customers, such as teachers, use audio books only. One customer commutes weekly to Rochester, MN – about 4 hours. She credits recorded books with helping her use that time productively...and stay awake!
<b>Marathon</b>	<b>\$466.67</b>	Personnel	We extended the hours the library is open to 20 a week. Direct State Aid helps pay the director's extra salary expenses this year. More people are using the library now that we are open another day. The library is used for meetings, general reference use, and just a place to see others and read the daily newspapers.
<b>Marble Rock</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Marcus</b>	<b>\$1,488.41</b>	Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements; Furniture	Books and books on CD, DVDs; removed built-in bench and repaired built-in bookcase in children's area to make room for donated computers; computer tables for children's area. Non-Internet connected computers in the children's area allows the use of educational and entertaining types of games.
<b>Marengo</b>	<b>\$1,346.54</b>	Materials & Supplies	Adult and children's books, Books on CD, DVDs. Patrons enjoy being able to check out the latest books, CDs and DVDs.
<b>Marion</b>	<b>\$7,283.98</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Young adult materials, DVD and VCR players, supplies for preparing media for circulation; Checkpoint security gates, Fastek for interior security cameras, Midwest Telecom for cable for security cameras and Internet. Now that we have additional DVD and VCR players, we have them available for use in the meeting rooms. The security gates help protect our materials from theft and saves us from having to replace many items.



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<b>Marshalltown</b>	<b>\$7,387.78</b>	Personnel	Marshalltown Public Library used its entire Direct State Aid allotment to fund salaries of part-time personnel. They are crucial to maintaining the evening and weekend hours our customers want. The public library must be seen as an important cultural and educational destination in the community in order to be considered an essential municipal service. Direct State Aid, by boosting our personnel budget and therefore our hours open, has made it possible to serve more customers and report strong usage statistics. On April 11, 2006, community voters approved a bond referendum to build a new library. This kind of support grows gradually, year after year, when a library is seen as a busy place, trying its best to deliver good service, to be responsive to customers' demand for convenient hours of operation, and capitalizing on whatever funding streams are available. Direct State Aid is one of the pieces which made a new library for Marshalltown possible.
<b>Martelle</b>	<b>\$488.27</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books.
<b>Mason City</b>	<b>\$8,455.77</b>	Technology & Equipment	Purchased new computers. The public was delighted with the faster access and processing speeds.
<b>Massena</b>	<b>\$894.87</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Direct State Aid helps pay the salary of the assistant librarian so we can be open on Saturdays. Purchased DVDs, large print books; tables and chairs for meeting room. We are able to provide more materials for different age groups and are able to keep the library open six days a week. Our town is a lower income community and many of our families are unable to afford to take their children to the movies or rent them. They can now come to the library and check out a movie with no expense to them.
<b>Maxwell</b>	<b>\$485.15</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Books and DVDs; purchased Deep Freeze software to protect public computers. Direct State Aid allowed our library to improve its public computers. The new software resets the computer back to its original settings which saves staff time.
<b>Maynard</b>	<b>\$1,307.58</b>	Technology & Equipment	We used Direct State Aid, along with memorial money, to convert microfilm (Maynard newspapers from as early as the 1830's) to CDs. People can now print articles from the newspapers.
<b>McGregor</b>	<b>\$1,643.19</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Audio books on CD, DVDs; new fax/copier/scanner, replaced headphones and a computer. The new fax/copier/scanner is vital in meeting the public's needs.
<b>Mechanicsville</b>	<b>\$1,491.39</b>	Materials & Supplies	Books, videos, DVDs and supplies.

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<b>Mediapolis</b>	<b>\$1,759.21</b>	Technology & Equipment	Direct State Aid was used towards the purchase and installation of a Web server. Without it, we were not able to access our automation system on the Web.
<b>Melbourne</b>	<b>\$996.35</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs; Other	Audio books; toner for copier; snacks and crafts for children and teen programs; office and cleaning supplies. Direct State Aid always helps us in so many ways. It makes a difference both in our staff's and users' lives.
<b>Melcher-Dallas</b>	<b>\$521.66</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Furniture; Other	Adult fiction, youth and children's books, DVDs, medical book, children's reference books; fax machine, paper shredder; lighting, furnace parts; book cases, floor mat and DVD cleaner. We have more home school families come in to use our reference materials. More college students are also using reference material (medical guide book) and biographies. We have had several grandparents come in to get DVDs for visiting grandchildren. We had our fax machine two days when a young woman came in to enroll for college. It was the last day to register and there was a problem with some tax papers. She was in a panic, but we got everything faxed in time.
<b>Melvin</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Menlo</b>	<b>\$919.55</b>	Furniture	New book shelves
<b>Merrill</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Meservey</b>	<b>\$874.81</b>	Capital Improvements	Replaced old boiler.
<b>Milford</b>	<b>\$1,852.84</b>	Materials & Supplies	Direct State Aid allows us to remain current in our AV collection (specifically books-on-CD and DVDs). Many people commute in the lakes area and enjoy our CD collection while traveling. Most are surprised at the selection we have to offer.
<b>Milo</b>	<b>\$967.28</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Salaries for new assistant librarian to attend continuing education classes; Jr. Library Guild selections for two age groups, four new periodicals for home-schoolers, DVDs; virus protection for public access computer; prizes for summer reading program. A new gun range in town has brought in people who want more hunting and wildlife magazines. We also have new families who home school and need periodicals.
<b>Milton</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Minburn</b>	<b>\$880.99</b>	Materials & Supplies	Children's books, children's audio books and DVDs, summer reading program supplies.
<b>Mingo</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Missouri Valley</b>	<b>\$1,286.65</b>	Technology & Equipment	Purchased a new computer
<b>Mitchellville</b>	<b>\$1,701.71</b>	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Purchased books, audio books, DVDs, program supplies; supported costs related to summer programs.
<b>Modale</b>	<b>NE</b>		

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<b>Mondamin</b>	<b>\$463.76</b>	Materials & Supplies	New audio books, 18 junior fiction books. Many of our patrons enjoy audio books and our collection consisted primarily of books on cassette tapes. Direct State Aid was used to purchase books on CD, which more patrons prefer. Our junior fiction collection is somewhat out of date and funding was used to help update it. People who enjoy audio books on their long commutes are very appreciative of books on CDs.
<b>Monona</b>	<b>\$1,657.86</b>	Technology & Equipment	New photocopier and computer. This year, Direct State Aid was used to update equipment. Updating the circulation computer helped staff by eliminating a monitor that caused headaches. The new flat screen monitor is easy on the eyes and the fast hard drive shortens many steps.
<b>Monroe</b>	<b>\$529.07</b>	Materials & Supplies;	Direct State Aid was used to pay for all magazine subscriptions and some children's books. Many people cannot afford to buy magazines.
<b>Montezuma</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Monticello</b>	<b>\$1,476.43</b>	Materials & Supplies;	Direct State Aid was used to increase our collection of books on CD. Many people commute and it didn't take long for them to exhaust our supply. One woman works in a factory that allows employees to listen to books or music while working. She was excited when we started building our collection. She said she would never have been able to afford buying CDs. She told others about our collection and our circulation has gone up.
<b>Montrose</b>	<b>\$527.31</b>	Technology & Equipment; Summer Programs	Fax machine and typewriter; summer library program and supplies.
<b>Moorhead</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Moravia</b>	<b>\$1,349.52</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs; Other	Staff training; books, audio books, DVDs; two backup drives, glare filter, tech support; shelving; preschool library programs; community awareness brochures. An LPN was able to take her license certification test online. Another customer has obtained building code certification online.
<b>Morley</b>	<b>\$473.60</b>	Furniture	A large turntable and four small ones for DVDs and videos. As a small library, we are trying to offer a lot of DVDs and videos for our patrons. The turntables give us more space to display these items.

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<b>Morning Sun</b>	<b>\$1,439.82</b>	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	New computers, a printer and server; new carpet, paint and shelving in youth area. Direct State Aid helped us get equipment for automation, which will dramatically improve our ability to serve people faster and keep better track of our materials. There is really not much for kids to do in our town. The purchase of new computers will provide Internet and computer access for at least two more people at any time.
<b>Moulton</b>	<b>\$1,361.32</b>	Personnel	Continue to be open more hours, library director's salary increase. The extended year-round hours continues to give our library users better opportunities to take advantage of the services we offer and to be open six days a week. Many people have commented on how fortunate this small community is not only to have a library, but to be able to use it on a daily basis if they choose. The extended hours have made a great deal of difference in this community.
<b>Mount Ayr</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Mount Pleasant</b>	<b>\$3,357.30</b>	Technology & Equipment	Two new computers, two scanners, one wireless counter. With Direct State Aid, we were able to provide patrons with newer and faster computers. The scanners allowed the staff to provide better customer service, and the door counter gives us better patron usage numbers. This is the only way some of our patrons have access to the Internet and other computer programs for reference, word processing, etc.
<b>Mount Vernon</b>	<b>\$2,190.68</b>	Materials & Supplies	Books on CD, books for summer reading program, performance license for movies. We did our five-year community survey this year and audio books were identified as one of the most popular formats by our patrons. This infusion into the collection offers our users a number of "fresh" titles. More than one of our patrons has commented about the addition of movies for kids this summer. Twice a week we show movies for young people and a local bank bought us a popcorn machine. We have had as many as 40 attend movie time.
<b>Moville</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Murray</b>	<b>\$491.92</b>	Materials & Supplies	Children's fiction and reference materials, adult fiction, supplies for story hour and summer reading program, DVDs. Direct State Aid has allowed us to provide a better selection of fiction and non-fiction material for our customers. It has enabled us to add to our DVD collection. Our story hour has been very well attended and has provided a very good learning situation for small children. We couldn't have done this without Direct State Aid.

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<b>Muscatine</b>	<b>\$5,274.58</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Purchased digital camera, memory card, acid free storage boxes for archival use, promotional library pens; LCD projector. Using Direct State Aid, we were able to purchase an LCD projector to use for programming, which we take to the local clubs and other groups that request speakers through our Speakers Bureau. We use the digital camera not only to take pictures, but to produce advertisements for programming and our ECHO publication.
<b>Nashua</b>	<b>\$1,666.60</b>	Materials & Supplies	World Book Encyclopedias, children's books.
<b>Nevada</b>	<b>\$3,075.85</b>	Technology & Equipment	New computers, tech support, Microsoft office products. The new computers allow people to access Web sites and download forms that were not available on our old, slower computers. We have had extraordinary growth in the number of middle school students coming to the library. They love the new machines.
<b>New Albin</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>New Hampton</b>	<b>\$2,187.62</b>	Technology & Equipment; Library Programs; Other	Two new computer workstations to replace old Windows 98 machines; two sets of 10 books for book discussions; ALA membership for library. We are able to purchase at least one large print and audio edition of books for the book discussions. This allows elderly people to participate.
<b>New Hartford</b>	<b>\$497.26</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books.
<b>New London</b>	<b>\$1,159.24</b>	Technology & Equipment	New computers. Direct State Aid helps the library keep its computers updated. Both adults and youth are using our six public computers more and more.
<b>New Market</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>New Sharon</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>New Virginia</b>	<b>\$903.69</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Other	New books; typewriter, color printer; teen rocking chairs, AV utility cart, book cases; application cards. The new color printer allows us to produce color brochures to advertise programs, etc.
<b>Newell</b>	<b>\$1,410.89</b>	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Tech support, software program for bar coding. The Friends of the Newell PL donated a small building for storage. Direct State Aid was used for a concrete pad for the building, enabling the library to add more shelving and free up space for books.
<b>Newhall</b>	<b>\$1,407.51</b>	Personnel	Direct State Aid helps pay for more open hours at the library.

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<b>Newton</b>	<b>\$5,010.14</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	"Literary Marketplace," "Learning Express," "Heritagequest," "Automotive Repair," "Novelist," "Proquest Ancestry" databases. Without Direct State Aid, we would not be able to offer as many databases for remote users.
<b>Nora Springs</b>	<b>\$1,655.92</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	New books and supplies; computer upgrades; summer reading program.
<b>North English</b>	<b>\$1,517.14</b>	Technology & Equipment	Two new Dell computers for public use, printer and back up battery.
<b>North Liberty</b>	<b>\$3,192.73</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs	Non-fiction DVDs for all ages; new computer and supplies to rebuild several of our older computers; two carrels to house two more Internet stations; helped sponsor several teen programs and purchased supplies for story times. Because of Direct State Aid, we were able to provide more teen programming this year.
<b>Northwood</b>	<b>\$1,203.00</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Large print books, world travel guide/reference; projector. We have several people who read large print and are always looking for the newest titles. Direct State Aid provides that service. The projector allows us to host programs where our presenters have photos to show.
<b>Norwalk</b>	<b>\$2,839.11</b>	Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Purchased wireless people counter to obtain a better count of visitors to the library, purchased computer for part-time cataloger; purchased supplies and prizes for the 2006 summer reading program. Direct State Aid enabled the library to purchase the large quantity of supplies and prizes required for the 844 participants in the 2006 summer reading program.
<b>Norway</b>	<b>\$1,342.19</b>	Technology & Equipment	New computer for public access, new printer. More patrons are able to have access to computers and the Internet.
<b>Oakland</b>	<b>\$1,649.38</b>	Personnel; Library Programs	Salary for staff for summer reading program; summer reading program candy, prizes and supplies. Without Direct State Aid, our library would not have offered a summer reading program in 2006. Several children looked at the prizes displayed and said they are so neat they will have to read this summer. One girl told me she wasn't going to participate this summer, but after she saw the prizes, she said "Now I have to read this summer."
<b>Ocheyedan</b>	<b>\$950.80</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	New set of World Book Encyclopedias; upgraded two public access computers. With Direct State Aid, we were able to update our reference collection for the use of students and others doing research. Adding larger hard drives to the public access computers allows us to add more software for the use of patrons.

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Odebolt	\$1,538.63	Personnel	Open longer hours. Enhances the salaries of five staff members and brings their salaries closer to other city employees. Direct State Aid enables us to be open one morning a week and a great number of people take advantage of it. A local preschool has a morning and afternoon class that visits once a month for story hour. If we didn't have morning hours, they would miss the story hour.
Oelwein	\$2,000.62	Materials & Supplies	Young adult, children's and adult books, DVDs. The Oelwein Public Library moved into a new library building in July. Patrons were very happy to see the much larger library with extra new materials. The young adults are now using the new library's special YA area and are pleased to see new materials in their special place.
Ogden	NE		
Olin	\$992.24	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Increased hours of operation and hired additional staff; updated selection of books in children's department.
Onawa	\$786.56	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Other	Standing order for large print books, sing-along videos for local nursing home and patrons; upgraded automation/circulation system; new phone system with portable units; promotional items. With Direct State Aid, we are better able to fill patrons' requests and make the library a more inviting and friendly place to visit. Public relations is priceless if it makes people keep coming in.
Orange City	\$2,732.56	Technology & Equipment	Replaced two old Internet computers in the children's center and three OPAC computers to allow for faster searches. Direct State Aid helps us provide the community with current technology and saves customers time when they are searching for materials.
Orient	\$456.51	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs; Other	Purchased a magazine subscription; preschool story hour offered five weeks in June; books and prizes to use during summer reading program. We have 15-20 children attend story hour regularly. I observed six to eight mothers who sat off to the side and visited with each other. They found out the library is an OK place to be!
Osage	\$2,310.70	Technology & Equipment	New computer/server. With an updated server, we were able to add new software.
Osceola	\$2,282.59	Personnel; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Hired a library consultant; purchased a color printer/scanner, VCR/DVD, TV cart; remodeled public bathroom. The staff no longer has to deal with a clogged or overflowing toilet. The consultant helped us with the library's Web site. Many of our patrons have told us how much they enjoy using this service. We have a homebound person who is especially appreciative because she has the freedom to check our online catalog for books she wants to read.
Oskaloosa	\$4,438.54	Library Programs	We created a unique programming fund to cover all expenses related to programs.

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Ossian	\$1,485.04	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Extended summer hours for reading program; purchased audio book lease program (CDs), "Enchanted Learning Country" series; lease for copy machine; crafts and drinks for summer reading program. Direct State Aid helps us continue programs that might be cut otherwise, or enhance things like the summer program. The 50 children who attended the summer program appreciated having juice to drink after their walk to the library.
Ottumwa	\$2,529.73	Technology & Equipment	New computers. We are migrating to a new Sirsi-Dynex Horizon system and this money made it possible to buy two new computers to place our public access computers. Thank you.
Oxford	\$516.08	Materials & Supplies	New fiction books. The shut-ins in our community appreciate the books. They don't have to go to a larger library.
Oxford Junction	\$1,398.18	Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Purchased a computer and three Internet virus protection programs; one double-sided book shelf and magazine rack. The new book shelf is in the young adult area and looks wonderful. The old magazine rack was big, bulky and an eyesore. We could not have purchased these items without Direct State Aid. The new computer and virus protection makes a difference to everyone who uses it.
Palmer	\$455.51	Personnel; Technology & Equipment	Extended hours; phone line for DSL/computer. Direct State Aid helped us pay to have an extra phone line and to stay open longer.
Panora	\$1,581.43	Furniture	New shelving for the library.
Parkersburg	\$1,667.23	Furniture	New circulation desk. Our library was built in 1968. The old circulation desk was great then, but definitely not suited to today's technology. The new desk is very effective and handles the library's day-to-day operations. The old desk was also not handicapped accessible nor did it let children see the counter. The new desk is people friendly and accommodating.
Paton	\$1,269.60	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Paid for continuing education classes; books, audio books, CDs, DVDs, program supplies; Internet access; books for summer reading prizes. The books were such a big hit with the kids. They just couldn't believe they were getting such neat books.
Paullina	\$1,466.64	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Other	Children's music and games (CDs), 12 DVDs, audio books, blank disks for patrons; small laminator, fax machine and toner, digital camera and accessories, VCR/DVD player, computer laser mouse. Our patrons are very happy with the new fax machine. We never had a DVD player other than the computers so now those using the meeting room have access to it for whatever purpose they need. The children's CDs and digital camera are very useful for story times and reading program activities.



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<b>Pella</b>	<b>\$3,842.03</b>	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Furniture	Wireless Internet access, two desktop laser printers, a receipt printer, three barcode scanners, a fax machine; public address system; computer chairs. Wireless Internet access has been very popular in our library. Laptop users and other with WiFi devices love this service. It also relieves some of the demand for our public Internet computers.
<b>Perry</b>	<b>\$3,115.57</b>	Technology & Equipment	Direct State Aid was spent on the purchase of new computers. We like to rotate purchase of a fourth of our computers each year and this funding makes it possible. We do not have a line item in the city general fund for this.
<b>Peterson</b>	<b>\$905.98</b>	Personnel; Library Materials; Library Programs	Salary for summer reading program staff; new books, videos, supplies; summer reading program promotion, supplies and incentives. We use a portion of Direct State Aid for our summer reading program. By introducing children to the library and encouraging reading, we have seen an increase in the number of children using the library.
<b>Plainfield</b>	<b>\$1,384.55</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Started a DVD collection; computer games for new computers; shelving for children's area. The new shelving gives us more room for our children's books and people have an easier time finding books. The DVDs are a great addition to our library. Our patrons really enjoy checking them out.
<b>Pleasant Hill</b>	<b>\$2,997.31</b>	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Purchased two public access computers; interior directional signs. Purchase of the computers improves patrons' access to the Internet and other computer programs. On most days, all of the library's computers are in use and people are waiting. With two more computers, waiting time is reduced. The signage improves access to the collection.
<b>Pleasantville</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Plover</b>	<b>\$442.34</b>	Personnel	Extended hours and training for staff. The library continues to be a busy place and the extended hours help people with accessibility. The training I received helped me plan our summer reading program. It was a great success with an almost 50 percent increase in children who completed the program.
<b>Pocahontas</b>	<b>\$1,679.16</b>	Library Programs	Direct State Aid enabled us to add more staff to assist with the summer reading program. We had a record attendance. It also helped with our book delivery program to child day care providers. Because of the number of children at the day cares, they cannot safely transport them to the weekly story hour. We send our children's librarian to them and she provides stories and activities. We have enriched the lives of 65 preschoolers each month.

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<b>Polk City</b>	<b>\$1,227.33</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Hired a tech person; educational CDs for children's computer; wireless Internet access. Our computers are always up and running.
<b>Pomeroy</b>	<b>\$1,021.12</b>	Technology & Equipment	Computer, receipt printer and cartridge, 15 ft. cord/grommet/cord concealer. Library Service in our community has improved greatly as a result of Direct State Aid. We are able to serve our patrons in a more efficient manner. The library is now completely automated. We can find information the public needs more quickly.
<b>Postville</b>	<b>\$1,840.85</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Children's and unabridged adult audio books; memory monitors. We are building a new computer for the office and will turn the office computer into a public access computer.
<b>Prairie City</b>	<b>\$499.79</b>	Personnel; Furniture; Library Programs	Staff training and mileage reimbursement; children's chairs; summer reading program supplies. The summer reading program was a huge success with almost 30 children reaching their goal of reading 40 books, or reading 20 hours.
<b>Prescott</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Preston</b>	<b>\$1,474.81</b>	Materials & Supplies	We used Direct State Aid to purchase additional large print books and books for our junior collection.
<b>Primghar</b>	<b>\$1,413.24</b>	Materials & Supplies;	Adult and children's books, videos. With Direct State Aid, we plan to purchase more large print books to satisfy the increasing demand for them by our aging population.
<b>Quimby</b>	<b>\$472.00</b>	Technology & Equipment	Funds went towards a new computer and an update for our automation project.
<b>Radcliffe</b>	<b>\$997.46</b>	Technology & Equipment	Purchased a color copier/printer/fax/scanner. It has proved to be a valuable addition to the library. Pictures are a valuable family heirloom. One patron is excited about the scan feature. He can duplicate old photos for genealogy research. He was driving 25 miles to do this and said being able to work from home on the project saves money on gas!
<b>Rake</b>	<b>\$536.86</b>	Materials & Supplies	Adult fiction and nonfiction books.
<b>Randolph</b>	<b>\$461.52</b>	Materials & Supplies	Books and books on tape for adults, typing program, new TV and DVD player. With Direct State Aid, we are able to provide needed books on tape for working/trucking patrons in our community. Children are improving their keyboard skills with the typing program.
<b>Readlyn</b>	<b>\$1,502.59</b>	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	New server; carpet cleaning. Without the purchase of a new server, our automation system would be useless. Carpet cleaning was long overdue and has made the library a brighter, fresher, more pleasant environment.

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<b>Red Oak</b>	<b>\$1,874.71</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Furniture; Library Programs; Other	Books and paintings; fax machine; ceiling fans and wiring; bookshelves and chairs; mirror, dolls and stickers; snowblower, chair pads, shelf markers. Our patron numbers are increasing so it helps to have more chairs and materials. Many of our new families are discovering libraries for the first time. It is important for the library to appear welcoming, to be comfortable and to provide fun.
<b>Redfield</b>	<b>\$971.50</b>	Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements	Supplies for children's programs; partial payment for additional shelving.
<b>Reinbeck</b>	<b>\$1,788.14</b>	Technology & Equipment	Purchased two computers to replace old ones. They are faster than the ones they replaced and the patrons like the flat screen monitors. One legally blind person finds the monitors easier to see.
<b>Rembrandt</b>	<b>\$860.43</b>	Personnel; Library Programs	We are now able to be open on Saturdays. We are working with the four libraries in our school system and bringing in a storyteller to promote our summer reading programs. It gets the children excited about reading. Many Saturday mornings, kids are able to use the computers to type reports, print pictures for a project and use the Internet to find information.
<b>Remsen</b>	<b>\$1,159.30</b>	Materials & Supplies	Large print books. We are a community with a lot of elderly citizens and they appreciate the extensive selection of large print books, especially a woman in our local nursing home.
<b>Renwick</b>	<b>\$1,335.82</b>	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	New large print and audio books; clowns for the summer library program, holiday story hours. We have several patrons who are blind and they really enjoy the books on tape. Many people need the large print books.
<b>Riceville</b>	<b>\$1,549.00</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Salary for extra staff; program supplies; after school reading and summer reading programs. When the director died unexpectedly, the assistant librarian was able to take the time necessary to learn the bare bones of how to run the library by hiring some help.
<b>Richland</b>	<b>\$1,338.46</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Part-time person to assist with daycare and kindergarten library service; current DVDs; Follett subscription support. Thanks for Direct State Aid, we can help our local day care, kindergarten and Talented and Gifted students with library services such as books, movies and DVDs. We were able to make a smooth transition to automation with the help and support of Follett. Thank you for making this possible.

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<b>Ringsted</b>	<b>\$871.30</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs; Other	Continuing education classes for director; summer reading supplies and books; antivirus software; handicap door latch for bathroom; program speakers; postage for Access Plus items.
<b>Rippey</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Rock Rapids</b>	<b>\$1,354.45</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	New videos and audio books; computer service.
<b>Rock Valley</b>	<b>\$2,026.30</b>	Technology & Equipment	Staff computer and printer. Staff is able to answer reference questions quickly without waiting for a public computer.
<b>Rockford</b>	<b>\$1,047.07</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Other	Book and catalog cards; ink cartridges; insurance and heat bill.
<b>Rockwell</b>	<b>\$1,538.00</b>	Technology & Equipment;	New computer for patrons. There is a huge demand for computers, especially after school.
<b>Rockwell City</b>	<b>\$1,354.32</b>	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Audio and non-fiction/reference books; display rack for front desk and display rack for DVDs. The display racks have greatly improved the look of our library. The rack on the circulation desk has helped create a wonderful display of books that go out like hot cakes! Of course, the ability to purchase more audios and reference materials is great for our overall collection.
<b>Roland</b>	<b>\$1,637.35</b>	Furniture; Other	Folding chairs for new program room; heat bill. The city purchased a building for the future location of the library. We are using it as a program room temporarily, which allows more space for the participants in our weekly programs. It is also used as a community room.
<b>Rolfe</b>	<b>\$1,366.02</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	We are able to serve the community better with extra staff helping with programs. More books and DVDs were purchased, as well as technical supplies.
<b>Rowan</b>	<b>\$990.69</b>	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	DVD collection; prizes, incentives and special events for the summer reading program finale. The library is the only place in town that offers free learning and entertainment services to the community. The DVD collection has also provided an important service and has increased our circulation.
<b>Royal</b>	<b>\$460.95</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Direct State Aid helps pay salaries; new books. The Royal Library has been able to be open more hours to better serve our patrons.

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<b>Rudd</b>	<b>\$547.55</b>	Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements	Children's books; handicapped accessible back door. We have a few children who read everything! The new books we bought with Direct State Aid should take them a while to read, plus it puts big smiles on their faces.
<b>Runnells</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Ruthven</b>	<b>\$564.19</b>	Technology & Equipment	New copier with many advanced features. An elderly patron was quite pleased when we were able to scan a photo of her and her granddaughter. We enlarged it and added a caption.
<b>Sabula</b>	<b>\$1,381.99</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books and videos
<b>Sac City</b>	<b>\$1,254.02</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	CD audio books; new computer. The patrons are happy that we now have CD audio books because most vehicles now have CD rather than tape players. One patron who uses a walker received a portable CD player for his birthday and wondered how he would use such a gift. We introduced him to the audio books and now he's enjoying his gift and new books.
<b>Salem</b>	<b>\$499.27</b>	Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Purchased "Hooked on Phonics," Summer reading program. Without Direct State Aid, we would not have been able to purchase "Hooked on Phonics." Many people have benefited from them.
<b>Sanborn</b>	<b>\$548.40</b>	Technology & Equipment	New copier. It saves us time and helps with our costs.
<b>Schaller</b>	<b>\$569.89</b>	Capital Improvements	Three-sided wall unit of slat board and shelving. We have more space for our young adult materials.
<b>Schleswig</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Scranton</b>	<b>\$1,379.48</b>	Materials & Supplies	Purchased books for summer reading program and subscribed to Thorndike Press Large Print Book Club.
<b>Sergeant Bluff</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Seymour</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Sheffield</b>	<b>\$1,650.98</b>	Materials & Supplies	Purchased junior level World Book reference books, adult reference, fiction books, DVDs. The children use the World Book's animals of the world reference books for homework and school assignments, or just to learn more about an animal they are interested in. Just being able to provide new books and DVDs for all of our patrons is making a difference in their lives. They enjoy coming to the library to see what we have new for them to read or watch.
<b>Sheldon</b>	<b>\$2,335.30</b>	Materials & Supplies	Children's and adult audio books, computer learning games. Demand for audio books remains high. With Direct State Aid, we are able to offer a wide variety for both adults and children. CDs are replacing cassettes as the preferred format and we are able to offer that as well.

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<b>Shell Rock</b>	<b>\$1,517.50</b>	Materials & Supplies	New audio books and other materials. Our town has recently acquired a new business that makes computer components. While the employees install and weld these very small components, they listen to audio books. Without Direct State Aid, we wouldn't be able to keep up with the demand for new books.
<b>Shellsburg</b>	<b>\$1,419.42</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Paid salaries for summer program and Saturday morning hours; new books; Sagebrush technical support.
<b>Shenandoah</b>	<b>\$2,505.34</b>	Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Purchased three new laptop computers; movie license. The laptops will allow us to expand our beginning computer classes and to facilitate different types of programming. The classes have helped some of our senior citizens maintain family contacts by using their new e-mail skills. We used the movie license as part of an adult program linking novels to movies.
<b>Sibley</b>	<b>\$1,296.12</b>	Materials & Supplies	We used Direct State Aid to help fund our books on CD collection. We leased our CDs from Landmark Audio Books and increased our collection to 70 titles. The CDs help those who cannot see. We deliver to our assisted living facility in Sibley and they look forward to the new CDs we bring. They thoroughly enjoy the ability to still "read" a book.
<b>Sidney</b>	<b>\$1,026.19</b>	Capital Improvements	As of September 2005, we are enjoying our beautiful new facility. Direct State Aid helped us make our FINAL payment to the builder. Previous Direct State Aid checks have helped us to complete our new building project. We have moved from a 550 sq. ft. building to 4,335 sq. ft. with a community room. Our patrons are definitely enjoying improved services.
<b>Sigourney</b>	<b>\$1,207.43</b>	Technology & Equipment; Capitol Improvements; Other	Public access computer; signage for library; miscellaneous library supplies (audio book and DVD cases, paper supplies, etc.) We have seen a dramatic increase in the number of people using the computers. We have high speed Internet and even people from other counties and states use the library when traveling. Our new facility has been a tremendous asset to the community. We are now handicapped accessible and get a lot of people who could not come before.
<b>Silver City</b>	<b>\$446.19</b>	Technology & Equipment	New computer that is faster and more efficient.

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<b>Sioux Center</b>	<b>\$2,901.71</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Furniture; Library Programs	Training for new automation system; Accucut dies for children's programs; new stools for story hour; summer reading program performer. With Direct State Aid, we were able to offer two big programs this summer for our community, instead of just one. The ability to expand the Accucut dies and their availability really helped out one of our local churches this summer. They were able to come in and cut out all types of animals and other shapes to use to decorate for this year's Bible school. They were thrilled because it saved them all kinds of time and money.
<b>Sioux City</b>	<b>\$20,630.82</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Other	Added one additional open hour each week at Morningside branch library, added 50 additional children's programs by adding maintenance/delivery staff to make non-programmed deliveries and by adding Page hours; enhanced audio-visual services by purchasing new books on CD, DVDs and associated processing, built on the popular young adult graphic novels; upgraded computer for the reference desk; purchased a database license with remote patron access to the Testing & Education Reference Center. Statistics show that 508 children's programs reached 13,071 participants, exceeding the goal for increased children's programs. When a high school student told a group at school that you could use your public library card to practice for ACTs and SATs online, her counselor said that just wasn't possible. He found that students could use the online database to practice tests and he spread the word far and wide.
<b>Sioux Rapids</b>	<b>\$935.61</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Salary for additional staff; books and supplies; anti-virus software for computer; summer reading program. When Experience Works dropped my assistant, Direct State Aid helped us to keep her on until we could amend our budget. She needs the work and the money to survive, so this money has been a God send to her and to our library. She's been here seven years. I'd hate to lose her!
<b>Slater</b>	<b>\$1,532.88</b>	Technology & Equipment	Two new computers for patrons. Our patrons no longer have to limp along on outdated, slow computers. One of our patrons is able to be much more efficient in his search for a new job.
<b>Sloan</b>	<b>\$981.66</b>	Technology & Equipment	Direct State Aid was applied towards purchasing a new color printer. It's much more reliable and puts out a much higher quality picture which makes it ideal for students who need color pictures for class projects.

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<b>Solon</b>	<b>\$1,677.48</b>	Personnel	This is the first year we've enjoyed the benefits of a full-time children's librarian. What a difference! Most of our Direct State Aid money was used to support this new staff person. The summer reading program has just ended and this year we're not numb with exhaustion. Reports are falling into place in a more timely fashion and we're ready and looking forward to extra activities in August and September.
<b>Somers</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>South English</b>	<b>\$420.90</b>	Furniture	Purchased new shelves. People can find what they are looking for. I have some older patrons who especially appreciate this.
<b>Spencer</b>	<b>\$3,910.13</b>	Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Purchased an ECO Smart Disc repair machine to fix patron-owned and library-owned CDs, DVDs and game CDs, purchased an LCD projector for public checkout; purchased a computer desk designed for kids for children's game computer and two drafting stools for two adult standing computer stations. An older library patron was able to get his favorite jazz CD repaired since he couldn't find a replacement and it was too damaged to play before repair on the ECO Smart Disc machine. Now it plays like new and he is thrilled.
<b>Spillville</b>	<b>\$1,334.93</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	DVDs; new computer for online catalog, replaced fax machine. Lightening struck our library. We replaced the fax machine, which we had not planned for. We also replaced our old catalog computer with a new Dell.
<b>Spirit Lake</b>	<b>\$2,434.31</b>	Personnel	Additional staff for tourist season.
<b>Springville</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>St. Ansgar</b>	<b>\$1,635.75</b>	Technology & Equipment	New computer, computer software updates, technical support. Customers of all ages use our computers to e-mail grandchildren, communicate with friends using instant messaging, job search, play games and renew licenses, to name a few.
<b>St. Charles</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Stacyville</b>	<b>\$1,038.90</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Juvenile and easy reader books; TV/DVD/Video combination unit for meeting room; books for participants of the summer library program (children ages 4 through 12).
<b>Stanhope</b>	<b>\$952.00</b>	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Furniture; Other	Mitinet software; tract lights; book browser for children's area; banner for newly purchased lot that says "Future Home of the Stanhope Library." Our library has only two windows so we needed those tract lights! It makes it easier to look for materials and is more welcoming.



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<b>Stanton</b>	<b>\$1,352.89</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements; Library Programs	Extended library hours; updated audio section; upgraded computer memory, black and tri-color ink cartridges; rented a carpet cleaner, painted exterior of library; purchased summer reading prizes. The extended library hours have had a big impact on people coming to the library. One patron finished her online course by coming in after work everyday this past year.
<b>Stanwood</b>	<b>\$917.26</b>	Personnel	Hired substitute librarian.
<b>State Center</b>	<b>\$485.06</b>	Materials & Supplies	Direct State Aid was used to replace children's classics (Dr. Seuss, Newberry winners, etc.) that were in poor condition. Each year we assist our elementary school with Dr. Seuss Day. This year we had bright, clean books to share. The children found the books more appealing and subliminally got the message that they are important, too!
<b>Steamboat Rock</b>	<b>\$914.46</b>	Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Circulation computer; summer library program.
<b>Stockport</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Storm Lake</b>	<b>\$3,640.20</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Training and travel reimbursement; subscriptions; computer software and database subscriptions. Direct State Aid has supplemented our existing budget to provide our community with better trained staff, additional circulation materials, and information access through the Internet.
<b>Story City</b>	<b>\$2,018.51</b>	Personnel	The library is able to maintain consistent hours and give a small increase to staff' wages.
<b>Stratford</b>	<b>\$1,443.41</b>	Furniture	Magazine display shelving, study carrel, rug for children's area.
<b>Strawberry Point</b>	<b>\$1,617.98</b>	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Three new computers; helped pay for covers for fire alarms. Direct State Aid has made it possible to replace older computers that were slow. The fire alarm covers keep curious children from pulling them and have saved staff many panic attacks.
<b>Stuart</b>	<b>\$1,187.61</b>	Technology & Equipment; Capital Improvements	Sagebrush automation system; removed carpet. Direct State Aid has made a difference in all of our patrons' lives. We can purchase things with this money we could not afford otherwise.
<b>Sully</b>	<b>\$1,444.29</b>	Technology & Equipment	We purchased a new computer for our circulation desk, along with a new flat screen monitor for our public access computer; online public access catalog.
<b>Sumner</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Sutherland</b>	<b>\$1,371.06</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books.
<b>Swaledale</b>	<b>\$880.56</b>	Capital Improvements; Furniture	New front door; new book drop. A string of library break-ins left our staff and board feeling very vulnerable. Years ago a makeshift book-drop was cut out of the front door. Direct State Aid was used to purchase a new door and a metal outdoor book-drop. We feel much safer now.

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<b>Swea City</b>	<b>\$1,415.86</b>	Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements	Patron cards and basic supplies; building improvements. We would not have been able to make the building improvements without Direct State Aid.
<b>Tabor</b>	<b>\$539.99</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books and DVDs. Without Direct State Aid, purchasing extra books and DVDs would not be possible. These funds really help us expand our collection. Our large print collection has greatly improved what we have to offer our patrons at the local nursing home. Thank you!
<b>Tama</b>	<b>\$1,860.55</b>	Technology & Equipment; Other	Fax machine, computers and computer upgrades, virus software, time management software; light bulbs, fire extinguisher, electrician. The time management software makes it easier for staff and patrons to keep track of the time they are on the computers. It also makes it possible to be sure people have signed computer use agreements on file.
<b>Terril</b>	<b>\$921.99</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs; Other	Paper and bubble mailers; toner cartridges for printer; summer reading program certificates, bags, etc.; shelf markers and labels, sign labels, carpet mats for the lobby, book jacket covers. The book shelves are marked more clearly so that people can find what they are looking for more quickly.
<b>Thompson</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Thornton</b>	<b>\$520.47</b>	Materials & Supplies	Many people appreciate the new books on CD.
<b>Tiffin</b>	<b>\$921.68</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Extended hours; software for children; computer work station.
<b>Tipton</b>	<b>\$1,992.25</b>	Personnel; Capital Improvements	We were able to hire a library page to shelve books and help with the summer reading program. Purchased six replacement windows for our 103-year-old library.
<b>Titonka</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Toledo</b>	<b>\$1,791.86</b>	Furniture	Funds were applied toward new shelving. We moved into our new expanded/remodeled library one year ago. The funding helped to make our library accessible and attractive. Our usage is up and people love coming to their library now. We have elderly people who are very pleased with the accessibility of the collection.
<b>Traer</b>	<b>\$1,585.12</b>	Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Follett transaction tracker, maintenance agreement for circulation and catalog, thermal printer paper; Scholastic books for prizes during summer library program. Having the transaction trackers has given us reactions both ways: Some people wish we would still stamp the dates in books, others like the slips that have all their transactions listed. Check out is much faster.

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<b>Tripoli</b>	<b>\$1,617.30</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements; Furniture; Library Programs	Extra morning hours for story time and adult book club; non-fiction books to complement our local day care/pre-school curriculum; new thermostats; computer desk; special programs during National Library Week and traveling trunks for summer library program. We attracted new people into the library with the special programs. They've become regular customers. A little girl started coming with her day care to story hour. She was so quiet and never spoke, but by the end of the year she would sing the closing song with us. Sometimes those were her only words for the entire day. Sad, but a step in the right direction. Thanks for this funding.
<b>Truro</b>	<b>\$949.24</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment	Books, DVDs, supplies; EBSCOhost database subscription. Children really enjoy checking out the DVDs.
<b>Union</b>	<b>\$1,430.28</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies	Continuing education for staff; assorted library materials. With Direct State Aid, it is possible to maintain purchases of materials and allow staff to attend programs and classes to remain certified. Some of the materials purchased are for reading programs – so important for successful students.
<b>Urbandale</b>	<b>\$9,089.84</b>	Technology & Equipment	Purchased seven new computers. They are being used for Internet access and have reduced the number of people waiting to use a computer.
<b>Ute</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Van Horne</b>	<b>\$1,368.54</b>	Personnel	Increased library director's hours from 20 to 30 a week. Since extending the director's hours, we have been able to concentrate on better customer service and more consistent enforcement of policies.
<b>Van Meter</b>	<b>\$531.82</b>	Materials & Supplies	Large print books for our new county large print book rotation.
<b>Varina</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Ventura</b>	<b>\$1,430.82</b>	Materials & Supplies	Adult fiction books and books on CD.
<b>Victor</b>	<b>\$1,507.05</b>	Technology & Equipment	New computer and color printer. Many older people use the Internet to e-mail family and friends. They often share new baby pictures and news with other patrons. They do not care to own a computer and feel they are welcome to use the library's computers.
<b>Villisca</b>	<b>\$1,519.55</b>	Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements	Large print books; new basement door. We have a lot of people who read the large print books. Without Direct State Aid, we would not be able to keep the books current.
<b>Vinton</b>	<b>\$2,459.76</b>	Capital Improvements	New sash windows for our 1902 building. They will help with our energy costs.

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<b>Volga</b>	<b>\$853.19</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Library Programs; Other	National Geographic for Kids, National Geographic, other magazines and books for adults and children, large print book and subscription to Large Print Reader's Digest magazine; automation project, EBSCOhost subscription; materials and books for summer reading program. A gentleman has always enjoyed Reader's Digest, but could no longer read the print. When he found out that we had it in large print, he was very happy. He is always waiting for the new issue to arrive. Other people also enjoy the large print magazine.
<b>Wadena</b>	<b>NE</b>		
<b>Wall Lake</b>	<b>\$1,467.12</b>	Technology & Equipment	Color copy machine
<b>Walnut</b>	<b>\$946.88</b>	Materials & Supplies; Capital Improvements; Library Programs; Other	"Hooked on Phonics;" redecorated children's room; baby sitting course, adult programs; accelerated reading quizzes. We have had a very good response to the programs we have presented. Our children's room is really bright and cheerful. We are able to work with our school district to furnish books with AR quizzes to complement their reading program. The babysitting course enabled our young adult patrons to find jobs.
<b>Wapello</b>	<b>\$1,733.37</b>	Furniture	Replaced shelving. The previous shelves were not adjustable. Trying to shelve books of different sizes was difficult and a lot of space was wasted. Thanks to Direct State Aid, we were able to start this project and patrons and staff can more easily access books.
<b>Washington</b>	<b>\$2,236.58</b>	Materials & Supplies; Capitol Improvements	Increased our audio book leasing plan; replaced broken entry door. We have several people who depend on our audio books for all their reading due to a loss of sight. They frequently tell us how much they appreciate our efforts to keep the collection fresh.
<b>Washta</b>	<b>\$868.97</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books, audio books, DVDs and supplies. Without Direct State Aid, we could not buy these materials.
<b>Waterloo</b>	<b>\$17,544.26</b>	Personnel	Waterloo and Cedar Falls public libraries combined Direct State Aid money to fund the "Gray Matters" coordinator's salary. Direct State Aid ensures the continuation of a grant called "Gray Matters" by providing for the project coordinator's salary. The program targets active seniors and seniors who live in retirement/nursing centers. The program provides aids and devices to enhance reading abilities for seniors and disabled customers, plus provides motorized carts and special walkers for those with mobility problems. Book discussion groups at nursing and retirement centers continue. Other services offered include recruiting and training volunteers for outreach, a special Web site for seniors and the use of bi-folkal kits.

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<b>Waterville</b>	<b>\$463.74</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture; Library Programs; Other	Substitute librarian so director could attend training; video cassette cases, Demco supplies, library posters; Ace Internet service; bean bag inserts; story hour supplies, summer library program supplies, reading program craft supplies, Animal Crackers and juice. We have seen an increase in the number of preschoolers attending story time. Computer use is high and having them serviced when needed keeps them user-friendly.
<b>Waucoma</b>	<b>\$1,256.22</b>	Materials & Supplies	New books. New books help bring the community together and provide education and enjoyment for us all. One student was able to do research on Queen Elizabeth since the school requires resources other than the Internet.
<b>Waukee</b>	<b>\$3,112.91</b>	Materials & Supplies	Young adult and children's books. Circulation increased 10 percent mainly in the children's collection because of new materials purchased with Direct State Aid and gifts from the library's Friends group.
<b>Waukon</b>	<b>\$2,487.44</b>	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Audio books; two public access computers; paperback shelving. People have a newer model computer for Internet use. They also have additional audio book choices. We can't keep up with the demand! Patrons' retrieval of paperbacks will be more pleasant.
<b>Waverly</b>	<b>\$3,569.40</b>	Technology & Equipment	Direct State Aid funds helped us purchase 13 new computers needed to replace machines purchased in 1998. Using one of the library's new public computer workstations with a DVD player, a mother who home-schools her children is bringing in teaching materials on DVD (no DVD player at home) so that she can learn new teaching techniques. Using one of the library's new public computer workstations with a USB port extension on the desktop, a woman was using information on her jump drive (photos, etc.) to help sell a home in New Jersey for her mother. Two staff members helped a novice computer user to get a free Web-based e-mail account. The woman was so excited when she learned about the "address book" concept, and she can now easily correspond with her nephew in Germany.
<b>Webb</b>	<b>\$454.96</b>	Personnel	Extended hours to 20 a week. A young man had a paper to finish for college and he had very limited time in which to do it. We were able to be open and had a computer with a program he needed to complete the project.
<b>Webster City</b>	<b>\$3,291.07</b>	Materials & Supplies	Baker & Taylor book lease program. Direct State Aid has allowed the library to provide bestsellers and books by new authors for our patrons.

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Wellman	\$1,596.47	Technology & Equipment	Direct State Aid helped purchase nine new staff and patron PCs, as well as a new server and other network items. My staff rarely has to deal with computer issues now. The new ones don't lock up as much and having five available means staff don't have to shuffle users around as often. It provides more time to work on actual library projects instead of computer troubleshooting.
Wellsburg	\$1,513.97	Materials & Supplies	Non-fiction adult books, adult/junior/elementary classics. Two years ago, a heavy weeding of books was completed to prepare for automating the library. Our non-fiction books were still ancient. New trends were not represented and our collection of Iowa tourism was non-existent. Direct State Aid helped us to catch up. We have a young adult who reads newspapers, but not books. However, he did check out the Poker Players Bible (new). The zoning laws provided information to a patron who is being sued. Our updated classics are being checked out by a young woman who is in limbo between college and her next move.
Wesley	\$936.74	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Salary increases for staff; more large print books; incentives and supplies for summer reading program. Large print books mean so much to our patrons. It's great to put a smile on their faces!
West Bend	\$1,472.75	Technology & Equipment; Library Programs	Replacing two computer monitors; story hour program for young readers.
West Branch	\$1,724.21	Personnel	Added additional clerk so library could be staffed most of the time by two people. We can offer better service now and there is always someone at the service desk.
West Des Moines	\$13,096.02	Materials & Supplies	Direct State Aid helps us augment the amount we can spend on new materials. A child found a book on a topic we had just purchased.
West Liberty	\$2,019.83	Materials & Supplies; Furniture	Spanish materials; new furniture for children's area. We were able to make more room for juveniles in our library.
West Point	\$1,017.09	Technology & Equipment	Direct State Aid helped us purchase a new computer, flat panel monitor and labor costs.
West Union	\$1,830.98	Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Audio books on CD, bookends; Drive Shield software, two computers; a task stool, carpet for youth area. The new software on our computers has helped to give patrons privacy when they are working online. When the computers are shut down once a day, all the settings and files are back to the originals.
Westgate	NE		
Westside	\$435.63	Technology & Equipment	Direct State Aid was applied to "Concourse Yearly" fee and copier paper. Patrons are able to locate books with our automation process.
What Cheer	\$911.61	Materials & Supplies	Adult and children's fiction and non-fiction books, audio CDs and DVDs.

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<b>Wheatland</b>	<b>\$463.73</b>	Materials & Supplies	Children's and young adult books. We were able to replace old books and buy new ones.
<b>Whiting</b>	<b>\$1,382.68</b>	Personnel	Direct State Aid pays salary for an additional four hours we are open. The library budget was stretched to its limit when Direct State Aid was first initiated. The money we receive allows us to open an additional four hours a week, better serving the community. The two hours each on Mondays and Wednesdays are the busiest times at the library. Without Direct State Aid, we wouldn't be able to provide them. There is a special-needs child who rides his bicycle to the library and almost always arrives minutes after we open. He has trouble telling time, but knows as soon as the 11 a.m. whistle blows, it's "library time." The extra hours we are open make such a difference in his life! Thanks.
<b>Whittemore</b>	<b>\$1,371.58</b>	Technology & Equipment; Other	Two office computers; outdoor sidewalk sign. I was unable to work with our cataloging program with the old office computers. That meant new acquisitions didn't get on the shelves as soon as possible. Things are going much smoother and efficiently now. The sidewalk sign makes people more aware of special events and brings them into the library.
<b>Williams</b>	<b>\$1,395.63</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Library Programs	Continuing education for director; new books; summer reading program materials and incentives. I am working on getting our non-fiction collection more current. I've also been trying to entice my young adults with some new series and graphic novels.
<b>Williamsburg</b>	<b>\$1,359.83</b>	Materials & Supplies	We used all of Direct State Aid for additional materials, including adult and juvenile books.
<b>Wilton</b>	<b>\$1,897.53</b>	Personnel	Provide Sunday hours throughout the year. We find families using this as a time to come to the library together. It is also a handy time for students – even college students – to use the library.
<b>Winfield</b>	<b>\$1,026.95</b>	Materials & Supplies	Direct State Aid was spent on books and DVDs. Books were added to the children's and large print sections. The addition of DVDs has increased circulation in the library.
<b>Winterset</b>	<b>\$2,613.75</b>	Technology & Equipment	Two new computers. Winterset relies on a healthy amount of tourism for economic viability. The new computers support the local tourist industry by providing travelers with a place to check their e-mail, in order to keep in touch with their families and jobs. People also use the computers for their e-Bay business activities and purchasing airline and entertainment tickets. Access to upgraded computers has made a difference to our most constant and faithful computer users and several genealogical researchers. We taught classes this year to people who have not been exposed to computers, opening up a new world of information and connectivity for them.

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<b>Winthrop</b>	<b>\$1,387.08</b>	Personnel; Library Programs	We can remain open one evening each week; we were able to use part of this money for an author's visit which was very popular in our community. A patron new to the library world attended our author visit. He was so interested that he checked out and read the first book since he finished high school.
<b>Woden</b>	<b>\$1,316.29</b>	Capital Improvements	New siding on building. We have had many compliments about the look of the building.
<b>Woodbine</b>	<b>\$561.62</b>	Technology & Equipment	Used toward automation process. We are just starting our bar coding, but with this new process we hope to have the job complete in a couple of years. Our work will be easier and more efficient.
<b>Woodward</b>	<b>\$1,472.83</b>	Materials & Supplies	Purchased additional books and audio books.
<b>Wyoming</b>	<b>\$550.61</b>	Materials & Supplies;	Direct State Aid was used to update our juvenile fiction section and to begin a young adult section in our library. The library has seen a large increase of children ages 8 and up in the library. All of the new books are being used and for the first time since FY98, we have checked out more juvenile books than any other item in the library! Also, a lot of older children are participating in our summer library program.
<b>Zearing</b>	<b>\$1,482.35</b>	Personnel; Materials & Supplies; Technology & Equipment; Furniture	Continuing education training; children's music CDs, DVDs and book to be placed in tote bags; Alliance computer maintenance upgrades and yearly agreement; custom-made bin built for the children's board books. The bin for the board books was built in the shape of an alligator and the kids call him "Swampy." He gives the library additional character and the children love to sit on him. The totes have been very popular in the three months they've been available. The totes are for children 3 to 10 years old.